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*Mission Statement
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The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Held and supported by the transforming relationship with God through Christ, we of the Alaska Missionary Conference seek to be a community that creates a home for all peoples, finds our hope through grace and journeys together into God's preferred future.

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Conference Lay Leader.....	David Kobersmith
Superintendent.....	RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON
Conference Treasurer.....	Robert Meyers
Chairpersons - Regional Program Councils:	
Kenai Peninsula.....	Sandy Stark
Northern.....	Gayle Miller
Southcentral.....	Betty Burke
Southeast.....	Loren Stanton
Administrative Unit.....	Lonnie Brooks
Council on Finance and Administration.....	DEBRA LINDSAY-HUDGINS
Council on Youth Ministries	TBA
Native Ministries Committee.....	Della Waghiyi
New Ministries Committee	Fran Lynch
Outdoor Ministries Committee.....	Von Cawvey
Commission on Archives & History.....	Michael Cline
Professional Ministries Unit.....	DAVID BECKETT
United Methodist Women.....	Patricia Wise
General Boards	
General Commission on Christian Unity & Interreligious Concerns ...	Lonnie Brooks
General Board of Discipleship	Rose McLean
General Board of Global Ministries	RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON

2. Kenai Peninsula Regional Program Council

Chairperson.....	Sandy Stark
Vice-Chairperson.....	Sharon Brower
Secretary.....	LAURA SKIBA

3. Northern Regional Program Council

Chairperson.....	Gayle Miller
Vice-Chairperson.....	STEVE ELDRED
Secretary.....	CURTIS KARNS

4. Southcentral Regional Program Council

Chairperson.....	Betty Burke
Vice-Chairperson.....	Jim Doeppen
Secretary.....	Ann Jache

5. Southeast Regional Program Council

Chairperson.....	Loren Stanton
Vice-Chairperson.....	TBA
Secretary.....	Loren Stanton

6. Administrative Unit

Chairperson.....Lonnie Brooks
 Lonnie Brooks (02, SC) Jackie DeGregoria (04, SC)
 Nona Howard (04, N) Loren Stanton (03, SE)
 Jim Anderson (00, SC) Nora Ortiz-Fredrick (06, SC)
 RICHARD SMITH (06, K) RICHARD WHETSELL (05, K)
 Sherri Sutherlin (04, SC) KRIS-ANN WILCOX (07, N)
 BRENDA WINGFIELD (04, SC)
 Superintendent: RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON, with vote
 Treasurer: Robert Meyers, without vote

7. Conference Council on Finance and Administration

Chairperson.....DEBRA LINDSAY-HUDGINS
 Linda Dunham (03, SC) Gayle Miller (04, N)
 Judy Shoup (00, SE) MILO THORNBERRY (07, SC)
 Sandy Stark (06, K) Sharon Brower (04, K)
 Georgina Dapceovich (07, SE) LEILA DISBURG, (07, SC)
 Presiding Bishop: without vote Superintendent: without vote
 Treasurer: without vote

8. Professional Ministries Unit

Chairperson.....DAVID BECKETT
 Rose McLean (99, SC) KAREN MARTIN TICHENOR (05, N)
 DAN WANDERS (04, SE) Sue Karlslyst (04, SE)
 Susan Smalley (00, K) PETER PERRY (07, K)
 JoAnne Hayden (03, SC) DOUGLAS LINDSAY (06, SC)
 IMELDA RAMOS (05, SE)
 Ex-Officio: RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON & Rose McLean, WJC Committee Episcopacy

9. Conference Council on Youth Ministries

ADAM MUHR (07, SC) Clarice Moore (07, N)
 Julia Tavepiungsenukal (07, SC)
 CCYM President Cassie Wohlgemuth

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Presiding Bishop.....EDWARD PAUP
 Superintendent.....RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON
 Host Church Pastors & Lay Leader:
 Conference Secretary.....BRENDA WINGFIELD
 UMW President (or Other Representative).....Patricia Wise

2. Commission on Archives and History

Chairperson Michael Cline
 Larry Hayden (SC, Archivist) Claudia Kelsey (SE, Archivist)
 Bea Shepard (SE, Historian) Arlene Cavanaugh (N, consultant)
 RICHARD HEACOCK (N) JOHN TINDELL (consultant)
 LuDean Knight (SC)

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- 3. Conference Communicator**JAMES DOEPKEN
Kim Kobersmith (05, SC)
- 4. Hospitality Coordinators** TBA
- 5. Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee**
Chairperson.....STEPHEN ELDRED
Roy Shapley (03, K) Jim Sutton (05, SE)
Kim Beckett (03, SC)
- 6. Native Ministries Committee**
Chairperson..... Della Waghiyi
ConvenerJIM CAMPBELL (05, SC)
- 7. New Ministries Committee**
Chairperson.....Fran Lynch
Susan Shields (05, SE) Rose Talemfo (06, SC)
Mary Sanders (00, K) TOM TELFER (05, N)
LINDA BAGGETT (05, SE) WOO SHOUNG PARK (05, SC)
Charlie Brower (07, SC) Karolann Whetsell (06, K)
JON DISBURG (07, SC) DAN WILCOX (07, N)
JESSE PERRY (07, SE) TONY ASHWORTH (07, SE)
Ex Officio:
Fran Lynch, Church & Community Worker
Lori Staats, VIM Coordinator
- 8. Outdoor Ministries Committee**
Chairperson.....Von Cawvey
LAURA SKIBA (04, K) JULIE WASSER (00, K)
Hope: Betty Burke (00, SC) Eagle River: LeRoy Coon (99, SE)
Birchwood Camp: Von Cawvey TRENT BAGGETT (07, SE)
Marion Gotschall, (07, SE)
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JoAnne Hayden (SC) Debra Gerrish (SE)
Arlene Wood (SC) Lonnie Brooks (SC)
DAN WANDERS (SE) DEBRA LINDSAY-HUDGINS (SC)
- 10. Coordinator of Lay Speaking Ministries** Robbie Robinson

C. Institutional and Other Representative
(Those which need Conference action.)

- 1. Alaska Children Services**
Sue Cole DAVID BECKETT
- 2. Nome Community Center**
Community UMC pastor

3. United Campus Ministry, Fairbanks

David Moore

4. University Community Ministry, Anchorage

Robbie Robinson

D. Institutional and Other Representative

(Those which do not need Conference action.)

1. Russian Native Ministry Committee

Chairperson.....Arlene Wood

2. Hope Retreat Center Board

Chairperson.....Jackie Campbell

3. Birchwood Camp

Chairperson.....Linda Dunham

4. Eagle River UM Camp Southeast

Chairperson..... Dick Fagnant



Bishop Paup addressed the AMC delegates to 2008 General and Jurisdictional Conferences:
front, left to right, Rev. James Doeppen, Kate Simeon, Rev. Kay Shock, Georgina Dapcevich;
back, left to right, JoAnne Hayden, Rachel Lieder Simeon, Rev. David Beckett, Lonnie Brooks.

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Bishop Paup, Superintendent Lieder Simeon and Reverend Waghiyi prepare to serve communion.

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C. Addresses of Institutions and Personnel

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D. Lay, Agency and Organization Members

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Anchorage Korean United Methodist Church-----	Jusook Oh
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Community United Methodist Church, Nome-----	Howard Appel
Douglas Community United Methodist Church-----	Debra Gerrish
East Anchorage United Methodist Church-----	Lonnie Brooks
First Samoan United Methodist Church of Anchorage-----	
First United Methodist Church, Anchorage-----	Lori Staats
First United Methodist Church, Fairbanks-----	Gayle Miller & Jim Murray
First United Methodist Church, Ketchikan-----	Loren Stanton
Girdwood Chapel United Methodist Church-----	Ida Dailey
Homer United Methodist Church-----	Sandy Stark
Jewel Lake Parish-----	Arlene Wood
New Hope Methodist - Presbyterian Church-----	Nancy McCarty
North Star United Methodist Church-----	Sharon Brower
Northern Light United Church-----	Marion Gotschall
Seward Memorial United Methodist-----	
Moose Pass United Methodist Church-----	
Soldotna United Methodist Church-----	
St. John United Methodist Church-----	Bob Smay
St. Peter the Fisherman United Methodist Church-----	Nicki Smith
Turnagain United Methodist Church-----	Jim LaBau
Unalaska United Methodist Church-----	Becky Sheffield
United Methodist Church of Chugiak-----	Betty Burke
United Methodist Church of the New Covenant-----	Michael Dimmick
United Methodist Church of Sitka-----	Julia Smith, Marilyn Thrasher
Willow United Methodist Church-----	Rita Godbee

Agency, Organization and Institutional Members

Alaska Children Services-----Sue Cole
 University Community Ministry, Anchorage-----Robbie Robinson

E. General Board and Agency Members 2004 – 2008

General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns-----Lonnie Brooks
 Georgina Dapceovich
 General Board of Discipleship-----Rose McLean
 General Board of Global Ministries-----Rachel Lieder Simeon

F. Western Jurisdiction Committee Members 2004 – 2008

Committee on Finance and Administration-----Judy Shoup
 Committee on Programs & Arrangements-----JoAnne Hayden
 Chair of Rules Committee-----JoAnne Hayden
 Committee on Nominations-----Lonnie Brooks
 Conferences Committee-----DAVID BECKETT
 Committee on Episcopacy-----J. Rose McLean; RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON
 Committee on Appeals-----J. Rose McLean; RACHEL LIEDER SIMEON, alternate
 Committee on Investigations-----DAVID BECKETT, alternate



Youth attendees to 2007 Annual Conference: William Jasper, James Gilchrest, Joseph Naguet, Latanya Odden, Erin Campbell and Kate Simeon.

IV. DAILY PROCEEDINGS

A. Minutes

Friday, May 25, 2:00 PM

Opening of Conference and Memorial Service

Bishop Edward W. Paup presided and opened the 36th Annual Conference of the Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC) with a time of remembrance and celebration for the members and friends of the AMC who had died in the past year.

The conference was called to order under the theme of "God's Beloved Community: Nothing But Nets." David Beckett, senior pastor of St. John UMC, Anchorage, and Linda Dunham, business manager, extended a welcome to conference members and visitors.

The following were introduced: Conference Superintendent, Rachel Lieder Simeon; Conference Secretary, Brenda Wingfield; parliamentarian, Lonnie Brooks; first-time conference attendees; Western Jurisdiction (WJ) United Methodist Volunteers In Mission (UMVIM) coordinator, Jan Kaiser and her spouse, Kurt Kaiser; General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) representative, Jon Peterson; Pacific Northwest (PNW) Conference Lay Leader, Amory Peck; Mary Tapp, Seattle Episcopal Area Office Administrative Secretary; Tom Wilson and Tanya Barnett, representatives of the United Methodist Foundation of the Northwest; Carol Paup, Bishop Paup's spouse; Joyce & David Madison of Virginia, sister and brother-in-law of Bishop Paup; and youth attendees from the Douglas and Chugiak churches.

Guests welcomed from the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference (OIMC) were Conference Superintendent David Wilson and Conference Secretary Diane Fitzpatrick. Gifts were exchanged between the leaders of both conferences.

Greetings were extended to Bea Shepard and Claudia Kelsey, long time conference attendees who are not present this year due to Claudia's illness.

Conference Secretary Brenda Wingfield set the bar of the conference and stated that roll call was based upon delegate registration.

Rules Report – Lonnie Brooks

1. Rule Change Proposed by Professional Ministries Unit:

R2.04...SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPENSATION: If one person is appointed to be the Superintendent of the AMC, then the Superintendent's salary will be established by the Professional Ministries Unit at 150% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC) for the most recent year for which information is available from the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits if no parsonage is provided to the Superintendent. If a parsonage is provided, then the Superintendent's salary will be 120% of the CAC. In any event, the Superintendent will be provided with an additional allowance of four percent (4%) of compensation per year for utility expenses. If a housing allowance is provided in lieu of a parsonage, then the housing allowance will be 25% of the salary. These amounts will be computed at such time as to be included in the budget recommendation the Council on Finance and Administration presents to the AMC for establishing the conference budget for the succeeding calendar year, and the Superintendent's compensation will not be changed at any other time.

#1 Rule changed approved.

2. Rule Change for CFA

R5.1009 . . . COUNCIL ON FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (CFA)

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the CFA is to develop, maintain, and administer a comprehensive and coordinated plan of fiscal and administrative policies, procedures, and management services for the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of CFA shall be:

Seven-(7) Nine (9) persons --- four-(4) five (5) lay persons and three-(3) four (4) clergy. AMC treasurer (exofficio without vote) --- shall serve a Treasurer of the CFA.

#2 Rule change approved.

3. Rule change for Professional Ministries Unit (PMU)

R5.1015 . . . PROFESSIONAL MINISTRIES UNIT (PMU)

PURPOSE . . . The Professional Ministries Unit oversees and reviews all matters pertaining to the professional ministry of the AMC (ordained and diaconal).

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the Professional Ministries Unit shall be:

Five (5) members nominated by the Presiding Bishop in consultation with the Chair of the Professional Ministries Unit:

--- three (3) ordained clergy

--- one (1) diaconal minister

--- one (1) lay person

Three-(3) Five (5) members nominated by the AMC Committee on Nominations:

--- one-(1) two (2) ordained clergy

--- two-(2) three (3) lay persons

#3 Rule change approved.

After much discussion of Rule Change # 4, a motion to table a decision until after lunch was supported.

Conference recessed for lunch.

Conference returned to session and continued to discuss Rule change # 4.

4. Rule change to provide for clergy membership indigenous category.

DIVISION 2 . . . MEMBERSHIP

R2.00 . . . CATEGORIES: The categories of clergy membership in the AMC shall be:

AFFILIATE: Ordained United Methodist clergy appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve United Methodist Churches and/or ecumenical agencies and ecumenical shared ministries within the boundaries of the AMC shall have affiliate status and full voting rights as provided in the *Book of Discipline*, ¶586.4. **This category does not include those serving in the category of Indigenous.**

COLLEGIAL: Ordained clergy of other denominations who meet disciplinary requirements (*Disc.*, 2004, ¶ 346.2) and who are appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve in United Methodist Churches or ecumenical shared ministries or are hired by ecumenical agencies shall have the right of participation as defined in the *Book of Discipline*. Collegial means in association with the AMC.

INDIGENOUS: Indigenous person in the Alaska Missionary Conference who have been ordained by a United Methodist bishop, or who have been ordained by another church in ministerial communion with The United Methodist Church when the orders of such a person are recognized and accepted by the Presiding Bishop, who apply for membership

and who are accepted for membership by the bishop shall be clergy members in full connection of the Alaska Missionary Conference.

As provided in ¶588 of the 2004 *Book of Discipline*, any other portion of the *Discipline* notwithstanding, there shall be a Council of Native Elders (the Council). The Council shall have the right to recommend to the bishop Alaska indigenous persons as candidates for ordination as elders and deacons. The bishop, in consultation with the AMC Superintendent, shall have the authority to act on the recommendation. The bishop may appoint indigenous persons to be members of the Council. Candidates for ordination approved through this process shall be ordained by the bishop at an ordination service during the time of the annual conference of the AMC.

This rule change will be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Amendments to Rule # 4:

1. Rule Change 4 will be send to the Professional Ministries Unit for further study in reference to the elders council and financial implications.
2. Adopt Rule Change 4 in it entirety, while at the same time referring the issue to a task force, appointed by the Bishop, whose purpose will be to identify, clarify, and more fully understand its long-term implications for the Alaska Missionary Conference.

Above amendments supported.

4 Rule Change approved with amendments.

General Conference 2008 delegation.

Ballot # 1 cast

Nominations Committee Report – Superintendent Rachel Lieder Simeon

The following are nominations for the duration of the quadrennium:

Administrative Unit	KrisAnn Wilcox (clergy)
CF&A	Milo Thornberry (clergy) Leila Disburg (clergy) Georgina Dapceovich (lay)
PMU	David Beckett, chair (clergy) Peter Perry (clergy)
CCYM	Adam Muhr (clergy) Clarice Moore (lay) Julia Tavepiungsenukal (lay) Youth representatives – one per region
New Ministries	Fran Lynch, chair (lay) Charlie Brower (lay) Jon Disburg (clergy) Jesse Perry (clergy) Tony Ashworth (clergy)
Outdoor Ministries	Trent Baggett (clergy) Marion Gotschall (lay)

Report approved.

Conference Council on Finance & Administration Report – Debra Lindsay-Hudgins

During the past year, CCFA has taken time to examine closely the financial demands of the Alaska Missionary Conference, the possibilities the future presents, and the funding sources that are available to us. The Council has long-recognized the need for increasing our income sources outside the Conference, and the need for judicious use of the resources we do have. Along those lines, we received some very welcome financial news:

- The lawsuits over the former St. Paul United Methodist Church and its properties have been settled in the AMC's favor, and
- The AMC has been designated as a Conference Mission Priority by both the Virginia and Holston Conferences, which may result in substantial gifts to our Conference in the coming months.

Some of our Conference leaders were privileged to travel to Nome last September with the Conference Coordinating Council, where we were provided with an "up close and personal" look at the vital and essential ministries our Conference helps support. Many of us had never been to Nome before, and were impressed by both the extent of The United Methodist Church's involvement there, and the tenacity and dedication of those who carry out its ministries and mission. In that more remote setting, we began to see that our state is filled with potential opportunities for the outreach of our denomination. We also got a glimpse into just how time-consuming and financially taxing such outreach will be for us all.

In addition to the growing awareness that potential ministries are emerging in places all over Alaska was CCFA's continued awareness of the daily financial struggles even our most well-established churches face. We would be remiss were we to turn away from the new challenges for growth and ministry that present themselves. At the same time, it seems that we can move forward into new opportunities only if our enthusiasm is tempered with caution. As a Conference we are only as strong as the weakest churches among us, so we can embrace emerging ministries, but only as we also work to strengthen the congregations already in our midst.

A sign of health and stability in a local church is its willingness to look into the future and determine its course. I would suggest that the same is true for our Conference: the time has come for our leaders to develop a strategic long-range plan for the AMC which includes both the establishment of new ministries and the undergirding of those that are continuing. Such a plan would make possible the responsible stewardship of all of our resources, would facilitate our Conference staff to work effectively in both local and Conference-wide settings, enable our Bishop and others who speak for us in the larger church to articulate our mission more clearly, and empower all of our church members to accomplish the work of God, whether it be in their own churches, their local communities, or the world.

In their different capacities, the CCFA and Administrative Unit will be the stewards of the money we receive from the settlement of the St. Paul lawsuits and from the mission giving of other conferences. It is tempting for all of us to view such wealth as a way to buoy up the Conference budget, thereby reducing our local churches' apportionment obligations. But we do that at our peril: the short-sighted or hurried expenditure of our resources today will leave us without resources in the future. If we depend upon Apportionment giving from our local churches to fully fund our annual budgets, then our additional resources will be available for us to use as new ministry opportunities emerge.

Bob Meyers, our Conference Treasurer, has announced his intention to set aside his calculator and retire in July 2008. With that in mind, CCFA will be working in the coming months to

transfer the Treasurer's Office and its associated workload to the headquarters of the Pacific Northwest Conference in Seattle

Thanks are extended to all the congregations that worked to fulfill your obligations and pay your Apportionments in 2006. Our Apportionment receipts for 2006 were slightly above 93 percent of budget, an increase of five percent over 2005. And, following the guideline established at Annual Conference last year, our Conference fully funded its general church apportionments. Please keep in mind that our benevolences allow us to work in connection with other United Methodist Churches to spread the good news of Jesus Christ both near and far.

Recommendations:

- 1) Yearly requests for funding from the Alaska Missionary Conference budget should, whenever possible, be submitted to the AMC-CFA prior to the AMC Winter Meetings. Requests for the 2009 budget shall be submitted to the CCFA no later than the conclusion of Winter Meetings 2008.
- 2) The apportionment grade figure used to determine local church apportionments will be the average over a three-year period of one-third of the membership grade figure and two thirds of the local church expenses. The 2008 grade point figure will be based on the statistics recorded in the 2004, 2005, and 2006 Journals of the Alaska Missionary Conference.
(The local expense grade figure is each church's local expenses divided by the total local expenses of all churches. Local church expenditures include clergy support plus 25% of the pastor's salary as established by the Church / Charge Conference if the pastor is provided a parsonage and all other church expenses excluding:
 1. Apportionment payments
 2. Rent payment for church facilities
 3. Principle and interest paid on indebtedness
 4. Payments on building improvements
 5. Non-apportioned benevolences paid by the local church)
- 3) All churches are strongly encouraged to pay their apportionments in 10 equal installments beginning in January and ending in October.
- 4) Apportionments for new churches will be scheduled following their charter according to this formula:
 - a. Year One: No apportionments
 - b. Year Two: 1/3 of regular apportionments
 - c. Year Three: 2/3 of regular apportionments
 - d. Year Four: Full apportionments
- 5) There shall be a General Fund established, maintained, and administered by the Council on Finance and Administration. The Fund Balance shall provide working capital (cash flow) for the operation of the Conference, emergencies, and unexpected needs that arise from time to time. The annual net operating results in the Connectional Clergy Support, Connectional Administration, World Service and Conference Benevolence, and other General Funds not otherwise designated will provide the basis for this Fund.
- 6) The following general budgeted funds will have designated fund balances. The annual net operations of these funds will be transferred to the respective designated fund balance rather than revert to the General Fund:
 - a. Office Furniture & Equipment Replacement Fund
 - b. Delegate Expenses
 - c. Quadrennial Training Travel Fund
 - d. Health Insurance Fund
 - e. Pension Subsidy Fund
 - f. Annual Conference Meeting Fund

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- g. Emergency Maintenance Fund
 - h. Church Extension Fund
 - i. Moving Fund
 - j. Equitable Compensation Fund
- 7) All persons traveling for the Alaska Missionary Conference meetings of Committees, Commissions, and for the Annual Meeting are expected to travel at the lowest possible fare, including advanced ticket purchases, partnership tickets and PFD tickets when available. While the use of the conference travel agent is available to all persons traveling on AMC business, people are encouraged to do their own research and purchasing of tickets in order to find the lowest possible fare, submitting the receipt to the Conference Treasurer for reimbursement. Any fare submitted for reimbursement that is deemed by the Conference Treasurer not to be the lowest possible fare will be reimbursed only to the power of the lowest possible fare.
- 8) The following have been designated as Alaska Missionary Conference Advance Specials:
- a. Alaska Children's Services
 - b. Alaska Pacific University
 - c. Birchwood Camp
 - d. Eagle River Camp
 - e. Nome Community Center
- All members of the Alaska Missionary Conference are strongly encouraged to bring to the attention of United Methodists in Alaska these opportunities for giving.
- 9) An Emergency Maintenance Loan Fund was established by action of the 1996 Annual Meeting of the AMC for loans to local churches for emergency assistance with property, under policies developed by the Board of Trustees under the Administrative Unit.
- 10) It shall be the policy of the Alaska Missionary Conference to pay 100% of all General Conference Apportionments. These funds are: Episcopal Fund, General Conference Administration, Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, World Service Fund, Ministerial Education Fund, Black College Fund, and Africa University Fund.

Report approved.

2008 AMC BUDGET SUMMARY

EXPENSE BUDGET	\$ RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
Connectional Clergy Support Fund	254, 533	-3.0 %
Connectional Adm. Fund	205,014	1.2 %
World Service &		
Conference Benevolence	224,049	25.7 %
Other General Conf. Apportionments	19,600	-5.4 %
ANTICIPATED INCOME		
Apportionments	602,696	7.4 %
Parish Assistance Grants	23,000	0.0 %
Parish Partner's Fund	10,000	-33.3 %
Church & Community Worker	10,000	-50.0 %
Rental Income	39,500	-0.1 %
Investment Income	15,000	500.0 %
Other Income	3,000	0.0%
Total Anticipated Income	703,196	5.9 %

Ballot # 1 Report – No election.

Ballot # 2 – Cast

Ballot # 2 Report – Lay, no election. Clergy, David Beckett elected delegate to General Conference 2008 (GC08).

Ballot # 3 – Cast

Ballot # 3 Report – Lay, no election. Clergy, no election.

Ballot # 4 – Cast

Conference in recess for afternoon break.

Plenary session resumed.

Ballot # 4 Report – Lay, Georgina Dapceovich elected delegate to GC08. Clergy, no election.

Ballot # 5 – Cast**United Methodist Women Report – Pat Wise**

United Methodist Women of the Alaska Missionary Conference remain a vital, active mission force in the local church, conference, and world. Women are encouraged to become whole persons in Jesus Christ, so they study, talk about the spiritual disciplines, and encourage one another to develop them in the midst of developing a supportive fellowship with each other. As women grow in the understanding of their own fellowships they expand the same concepts of wholeness and support through mission participation in the global ministries of the church.

Conference officers are still hoping to visit each local church to present and encourage UMW activities among the whole church (mission education events for families in the church), among young people (teach and encourage UMW outreach) and among those who are home-bound, single moms with little time for themselves, and those who live in long-distance rural locations. Dialogue continues for new ways to meet with women of the local church to enrich and enhance UMW units.

As a conference team, we encourage each pastor and congregation to be aware of those who have been sensitive about racial and social justice issues as we would like to acknowledge them. Most of all, we desire women in each local church to learn of and to stretch to the homeless, ill, orphaned, unemployed women, abused women, all women and children and their families who are in need of the mission support UMW can provide. We encourage everyone to enrich their knowledge of our missionaries through the use of the Prayer Calendar, Response magazine and The Interpreter.

Each year the Annual Gathering strives to bring representatives from every church in Alaska. The 2006 Annual Gathering of UMW met in Soldotna with several teens joining us and the gathering brought spiritual renewal, social and racial challenges, and supportive inspiration. A women's retreat, entitled Resurrection Women, was presented by the Western Jurisdiction UMW Core Planning Team for our Alaskan women in April.

Report accepted.

Ballot # 5 Report – Lay, Lonnie Brooks elected delegate to Jurisdictional Conference 2008 (JC08) and 1st reserve delegate to GC08. Clergy, Rachel Lieder Simeon elected delegate to JC08 and 1st reserve delegate to GC08.

Ballot # 6 – Cast

Missional Priority

Motion – The missional priority for 2007 – 2008 to be Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference.

Motion supported.

(The CCC will shepherd the missional priority.)

Ballot # 6 Report – Lay, JoAnne Hayden elected 1st reserve delegate to JC08, 2nd reserve delegate to GC08. Clergy – No election.

Ballot # 7 – Cast

Director of Connectional Ministries Report – Ray Buckley

In his first year as Director of Connectional Ministries and Native Discipleship (DCM), Ray reported that much of his time was spent “on the road.” Some of his time away was spent in meetings to move the Native American Comprehensive Plan (NACP) to the General Board of Discipleship (GBOD) and legislation to do so has been written and will be submitted to GC08. Ray also reported the following: more gear was sent to Hooper Bay following the fire than the village had storage space; a lack of spiritual guidance and leadership exists in many Alaska villages; Sunday School curriculum has been written for some Native American tribes; lay leadership needs encouragement in all Alaska churches and villages; and government leaders have been reminded of the rate of substance abuse and suicide among Alaska natives.

Ballot # 7 Report – Lay, Kate Simeon elected 2nd reserve delegate to JC08, 3rd reserve delegate to GC08. Clergy – No election.

Ballot # 8 – Cast

The conference recessed for dinner and evening worship.

**Friday Evening, May 25
The Order for Ordination and Holy Communion**

Bishop Edward Paup and Superintendent Rachel Lieder Simeon presided for the service of Ordination and Holy Communion. Bishop Paup chose John 21:9 – 17 for his sermon. Della Waghiyi was ordained elder in the UMC while kneeling on a caribou hide. Following her ordination, Rev. Waghiyi retired from active ministry. Bishop Paup, Superintendent Lieder Simeon and Reverend Waghiyi served communion to conference participants and guests.

**Saturday, May 26
Morning Session**

Bishop Paup opened the session by leading the conference in hymns written by Charles Wesley. The bishop lifted up those who are here in ministry and mission in Alaska, those who are to come, and those who are involved in general agencies of the UMC.

Ballot # 8 Report – Clergy – Jim Doeppen elected 1st reserve delegate to JC08, 2nd reserve delegate to GC08.

Ballot # 9 – Cast

Commission on Equitable Compensation Report – Richard Whetsell

1. Minimum Salary for 2008 **\$34,850**
2. Minimum cash base compensation will include
 - a. Cash Salary
 - b. Social Security Allowance
 - c. Tax Sheltered Annuity Contributions
 - d. The distribution of Minimum Salary among the items in a-c above shall be determined between the pastor and the charge.
3. Additions to Minimum Salary
 - a. Experience Factor—add \$200 per service year from date of ordination as a Deacon.
 - b. In keeping with ¶359.6, retired clergy appointed to serve a charge in the AMC will not have a claim on the minimum salary, including the experience factor.
 - c. Area Cost of Living Adjustment—add the following amounts

i. Anchorage	0%
ii. Fairbanks	5%
iii. Juneau	5%
iv. Kenai Peninsula	5% (Includes Girdwood)
v. Ketchikan	5%
vi. Nome	35%
vii. Sitka	5%
viii. Unalaska	30%
ix. Wasilla	0%
x. Willow	5%
4. Other Considerations
 - a. A parsonage and full utilities or reasonable housing allowance shall be provided to pastors serving full-time appointments
 - b. A local transportation allowance shall be provided to meet actual pastoral expenses in each situation
 - c. A minimum of \$1,000 for Continuing Education expenses shall be provided
5. Equitable Compensation Fund for 2008 **\$75,000**
 - a. To receive support from the Equitable Compensation Fund a church must have approval from the AMC Superintendent and the Commission on Equitable Compensation.
 - b. If a church desires paid staff beyond the pastor, no request for Equitable Compensation support will be granted without a staffing plan and budget approved by the Commission and the Superintendent.
 - c. Support from the fund is not available to any church which provides a compensation package exceeding the minimum for its location without the approval of the Commission and the Superintendent.
 - d. The amount of support provided to any church from the fund will be negotiated among the charge, the Commission, and the Superintendent.
 - e. The Superintendent will present annually to the Administrative Unit at its winter meeting in its capacity as the Commission on Equitable Compensation a plan developed by each charge in the AMC receiving support from the Equitable Compensation Fund. The plan will address at least the following questions:
 - i. Can this charge reasonably forecast a time when, to provide for its pastor, direct financial support from the AMC will not be

- required? If so, in what period of time can this be accomplished and what steps will be taken in order to bring this about?
- ii. If this charge cannot forecast a time when Equitable Compensation Fund support will not be required to maintain a full time pastor, are there other viable options for ministry in this place that will allow a self supporting ministry, such as, but not limited to, merger of UM churches (§ 2545), ecumenical shared ministry (§ 207-211), or circuit or cooperative parish relationship with other UM churches (§ 205.2)?
 - iii. If the forecast for this charge is that it will, for the foreseeable future, require support from the Equitable Compensation Fund to maintain a full time pastor, and no cooperative relationship is possible that will help, and a state of permanent financial dependency on the AMC is necessary and desirable, then the special circumstances of the charge that create this need and prevent financial independence shall be described in the plan.

HealthFlex Report – Brenda Wingfield

It is proposed that the participant's share of premiums be \$115.00 per month for 2008, which will be waived if the participant chooses single coverage, whether or not the participant is eligible for family coverage.

Family coverage under HealthFlex is optional. If a participant with a dependent family who has access to coverage in another plan opts out of HealthFlex family coverage and for single coverage, the participant must attest to availability of an alternative employer sponsored group health insurance program with family coverage and provide the conference office with the name and address of the plan administrator. The waiver becomes effective when approved by the AMC superintendent. If waived, family coverage in HealthFlex may be reinstated at any time. If reinstatement occurs, payment of the premium for family coverage under HealthFlex will be shared by the pastor and the local church for the remainder of the calendar year, and will not result in a recalculation of the blended rate for the conference until January 1 of the next year.

If a clergy couple is appointed to a charge, if each member of the couple is appointed to 50% or greater, and if the couple has no other dependents coverable under the plan, then each member of the couple must be included in the plan at the single rate. Otherwise, they are eligible to choose the family plan.

Each local church will be billed one of two rates for each participant:

1. If an appointed cleric or clergy couple serving one charge has elected or must be provided single coverage, whether or not the cleric is eligible for family coverage, then the local church will be billed the blended rate for the AMC, less \$115 per month.
2. If an appointed cleric elects family coverage, the local church will be billed the blended rate, and, as provided above, the participant will pay \$115 per month of the premium, which may be deducted from the participant's salary by the church on a pretax basis.

The blended rate will be computed by dividing the estimated total HealthFlex premium obligation of the conference by the number of participants. This number will be properly adjusted to account for the waiver of the \$115 per month premium payment for those churches served by single participants or participants who choose single coverage.

It is the intent of the Administrative Unit to maintain the participant's copay at 20%, and the annual out of pocket limit at \$3,000.00 for a covered individual and \$6,000.00 for a covered family. However, those rates cannot be fixed until the coverage options have been prepared and presented to the AMC by the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits (GBOPHB).

Though final figures can not be established until all appointments and participant elections have been made, for planning purposes it is estimated that the following rates will be chargeable to local churches:

1. Churches served by single clergy--\$1,195.00 per month
2. Churches served by clergy family--\$1,300.00 per month

Board of Pensions Report – Brenda Wingfield

1. Salary, for purposes of pension computation, shall be the sum of the following:
 - a. Cash salary, including Social Security allowance.
 - b. Housing allowance, or when parsonage is provided, 25% of the cash salary
 - c. Tax deferred annuity contribution paid by the salary paying unit
2. The Clergy Retirement Security Program (CRSP) contribution rate for 2008 shall be 3% of the appointed cleric's contribution base, full or part time, ordained or local pastor. [This percentage reflects General Conference 2004 ruling which stated that missionary conferences would contribute the defined contribution portion of CRSP and the annual conferences would contribute the defined benefit portion for all conferences. Thus, instead of the 6% of contribution base for pension obligation, AMC churches are assessed 3%. Also, this reflects a saving of the previous pension program, Ministerial Pension Plan, (MPP), in which pension obligation was based on 12% of Denominational Average Compensation (DAC) or of the contribution base of each cleric, whichever was less.]
3. The Comprehensive Protection Program (CPP) contribution rate for 2008 shall be 3% of the contribution base of each appointed cleric. Part time local pastors are not covered under CPP.
4. All ordained clergy under episcopal appointment within the AMC and eligible for the AMC pension program shall be covered by the CPP, including those receiving less than minimum salary.
5. Clergypersons under Episcopal appointment (receiving compensation) at a local church, charge, conference or conference responsible unit or entity are eligible to participate in CRSP. (Part-time clergy may waive participation.)
6. Diaconal ministers and other laics serving churches and related institutions within the Alaska Missionary Conference and who are eligible may participate in the United Methodist Personal Investment Program (UMPIP). UMPIP is a voluntary retirement savings plan created by combining the Cumulative Pension and Benefit Fund (CPBF) and the Personal Investment Plan (PIP), available as of January 2006.
7. The Past Service Pension Rate (PSPR) for 2008 shall be \$556.00 per service year. It is the intention of the board that the PSPR be no less than 0.9% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC).
8. For pension recipients, the AMC may designate up to 100% of the pension payments to be allocated as housing allowance by the individual cleric. The amount may be excludable from income for federal income tax purposes.
9. For 2008 the following procedure will apply:
 - a. 100% of the pension obligation for the superintendent of AMC will be apportioned to the churches of the conference.
 - b. Each charge in the AMC to which one or more UMC clerics are appointed will be directly billed by the AMC Treasurer for the full amount of the pension obligation for the appointed UMC clergy.

- c. Churches of the AMC to which a UM cleric is not appointed will not be billed for pensions.
- 10. Appointment to a fellowship, as opposed to an organized church, will have no effect on eligibility of an appointee for the accrual of pension benefits as herein provided.

Ballot # 9 Report – Clergy, no election

Ballot # 10 – Cast

Emergency Maintenance Loan Fund Report – Lonnie Brooks

A fund called the Emergency Maintenance Loan Fund (EMLF) was created by the Alaska Missionary Conference in 1996. Responsibility for administration of the fund was given to the Administrative Unit. The following guidelines were established by the AMC in 1998 for administration and operation of the EMLF.

The purpose of the EMLF is to allow the AMC to receive title on property now held by the GBGM, without being unprepared for emergencies related to those properties. The EMLF would be made available to assist churches during times of extreme crisis.

The EMLF will be available for loans for emergency maintenance of United Methodist churches and institutions in the Alaska Missionary Conference. A loan may be obtained by contacting the Chairperson of the Administrative Unit or the Conference Superintendent. Approval by at least three members of the Administrative Unit is required before the loan can be provided.

The amount of any loan cannot exceed \$30,000. The terms of any loan will be as follows:

- a. Loans paid in full within one year will be interest-free.
- b. Loans extending beyond one year will be charged interest at 1/2 point under prime.
- c. In no case shall a loan extend beyond five years.

Rev. Trent Baggett of the UMC of Sitka expressed a thank you to the Administrative Unit for the loan from this fund, enabling the Sitka church to re-roof their building.

Board of Trustees Report – Lonnie Brooks

St. Paul Litigation

The legal action between the dissident former members of the former St. Paul United Methodist Church has been finished. Following the decision by the Alaska Superior Court in Fairbanks to award all the real and personal property to the AMC, the Dissidents appealed that decision to the Alaska Supreme Court. The Alaska Supreme Court affirmed the decision of the Superior Court in all respects, and the Superior Court issued an order quieting title to the AMC, post dated to the date of the discontinuance of St. Paul UMC, 31May02. The Dissidents paid the following amounts to the AMC in settlement of court awards and claims for damages, costs, and fees:

Damages	\$ 20,000.00
Appeal Costs and Fees	2,247.63
Other Costs and Fees	89,221.30

Total Cash Settlement	\$111,468.93
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Former St. Paul UMC Building

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This property has been sold to St. James Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The sale price was \$150,000.00 of which St. James made a down payment of \$50,000.00. The remaining \$100,000.00 was loaned to St. James by AMC at 5% annual percentage rate over ten years. St. James will make monthly payments of \$1,060.66.

Former St. Paul Parsonage
This property has sold.

Mission House and Wesleyan House

Both these properties are leased long term to a tenant who uses them to provide assisted living accommodation to her clients. The tenant is not exempt from municipal property taxes, and the lease is managed by Pacific Rim Properties, which charges a management fee of 8.5%.

Hope Retreat Center and Birchwood Camp

Each of these properties has its own board of directors, so neither is under the management of the Board of Trustees of the AMC, even though the Board owns the properties in trust for the AMC and The UMC.

Ballot # 10 Report – Clergy, Kay Shock elected 2nd reserve JC08 delegate, 3rd reserve GC08 delegate. AMC delegation complete.

Alaska Missionary Conference Foundation Report

It is recommended that 90% of the net settlement proceeds resulting from the St. Paul litigation be used for the creation of a fund within the AMC Foundation, the earnings of which will be made available for new ministries and Native ministries, those earnings to be disbursed at the request of the New Ministries Committee and/or the Native Ministries Committee following consultation with the AMC Superintendent. This fund shall be designated as the Thomas H. Dahl Mission Fund within the AMC Foundation.

The remaining 10% of the net settlement proceeds will be made available for new ministries and Native ministries, those funds to be disbursed at the request of the New Ministries Committee and/or the Native Ministries Committee following consultation with the AMC Superintendent.

St. Paul settlement proceeds:

Cash payments from dissidents	\$106,029.18
St. James Church down payment	49,694.50
Dartmouth House sale	209,468.82
Amount owed GBGM & GCFA	102,750.21
Net immediate proceeds	262,442.09
Loan repayments (120 payments @ 1060.66)	<u>127,279.20</u>
Total Net Proceeds	\$389,721.29

Motion – It is recommended that the entire settlement proceeds be placed in an interest bearing account for at least one year while the members of the CCC, with other consultants as needed, determine how to best use the money for ministry in the AMC. **Motion passed.**

Administrative Unit report accepted.

Professional Ministries Report – Jim Doepken
PMU is addressing these concerns:

- \$250 per person for continuing education through the Ministerial Education Fund
- Spiritual and emotional care of professional church workers
- Money issues related to incoming new clergy
- New clergy orientation, the how and when of it
- Understanding the changing candidacy process

PMU celebrated these joys:

- Recent professional church workers retreat
- Completion of sexual ethics training
- Work of the Superintendency Committee

Superintendency Committee - Rose McLean

Members of PMU who are local or who happen to be in town when we meet are invited to meet with the superintendent on an occasional basis. We have discovered that for the most part, our role is to support, advise, listen, and encourage Rachel as

Deacon/Diaconal/Certification Concerns - Rose McLean

Brenda Wingfield is a deacon in full connection serving in the Conference office as administrative assistant with a secondary appointment at Turnagain UMC; Rose McLean is a Diaconal Minister serving St. John UMC and is also certified in Christian Education.

PMU report accepted.

Conference recessed for lunch.

Saturday, May 26 Afternoon Session

Conference reconvened with an announcement and a recognition.

Kelli Williams, Spiritual Life Director at Alaska Children Services (ACS), that Alaska Flag Day is scheduled for Monday, July 9, 2007, on the grounds of ACS.

Rev. Andrew Oliver, was introduced as the recipient of Turnagain UMC's Excellence in Preaching Fellowship. Andrew is a clergy member of the Pacific Northwest Conference.

Superintendent's Report – Rachel Lieder Simeon

Superintendent Rachel Lieder Simeon reported that 2006-2007 was a busy, challenging and full appointive year with 9 pastoral changes. Those clergy who leave will travel far and we in the AMC may never see them again.

Rachel lifted up –

- The different way of doing charge conferences
- Cooperation with the Presbytery of the Yukon in Barrow, 4 clergypersons and the DCM, providing pastoral duties at the Presbyterian church
- Sorting out the GBGM properties here in the AMC
- Settlement of the St. Paul properties
- Chairing the Episcopacy Committee for the denomination, which made a conflicted decision

Superintendent Lieder Simeon celebrated connections throughout the denomination – Virginia Annual Conference supporting Alaska in mission; the Nome church's connection with Rev. Fenstermaker's church in Elkhart IN; Fran Lynch's connection with the Holston Conference and their support of Fran's ministry. "May we keep our sense of connectedness in the next years."

Petitions

- Petition 1 – Clergy Evaluation & Change of Relationship – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 2 – Review and Evaluation of Bishops – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 3 – Annual Conference Executive Session – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 4 – Funding for GCF&A – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 5 – Minimum Number of Jurisdictional Delegates – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 6 – Missionary Conference as District for Candidacy – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 7 – Delayed Retirement of Bishops – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 8 – Sabbatical Leave Service Eligibility – not accepted.
- Petition 9 – Bishop's Discretion in Supervisory Process – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 10 – UM Membership – Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 11 – Agency Membership Revision – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 12 – Replacement of Incapacitated Bishop – Sent forward to GC08.
- Petition 13 – Comprehensive Health Care/Insurance for all Alaskans – supported.
- Petition 14 – Change of Name/The Alaska Missionary Conference – referred to a body of the bishop's choosing with a report to Annual Conference 2008.
- Petition 15 – Change in the Ministry of the Laity – Sent forward to GC08.

Youth Report

Resolution – For the Earth

In response to our planet's ever changing climatic problems, we, the youth of the Alaska Missionary Conference, affirm the Global Youth Resolution created in response to this threat. Furthermore, we offer examples of these problems in modern times specific to the state of Alaska for the United Methodist Church to consider.

These threats to our state from climate change include, but are not limited to: erosion of the coast due to oceanic activity; increasing pre-season pack-ice loss due to climate change; shaken foundations due to frost heaves from permafrost deterioration; destruction and/or flooding of coastal villages due to pack-ice loss.

We, the youth of the Alaska Missionary Conference, also recognize other threats to the environment of our world that are not necessarily related to climate change. These threats also include, but are not limited to: failure to safely transport oil or other resources, wildlife threatened by said failure; and the lack of funding for finding a renewable energy source in the place of oil and/or natural gas.

Whereas, it is the church's position to preserve God's creations, it is the church's responsibility to take action against such threats to our state and thereby, The United Methodist Church.

With these things in mind, we, the youth of the Alaska Missionary Conference ask this assembly's affirmation of this document and the Global Youth Resolution crafted in Johannesburg.

Resolution supported.

Motion – Suspend rules to allow Petition # 15 for presentation. Motion supported.

Petition 15 – Restoration of 2007 Funding for Council on Youth Ministries

Action to be voted on: To restore the 2008 conference budget item labeled "Council on Youth Ministries" (CCYOM) to the full amount of funding that it received in 2007; that is to say, from \$4000 to \$8000.

Petition supported and sent forward to CCF&A.

Conference in recess.

**Saturday, May 26
Service of Farewell**

The following leaving the Alaska Missionary Conference were honored: John & Bonnie Campbell; Curt & Cindee Karns; Susan Knight; Steve, Sandra, Philip & Paul Lambert; Dan, Margaret & Jackie Lush; Dick & Jane Smith; and Jon & Mary Glynn Walters. Dale Kelley was honored as a retiree.

The Harry Denman Evangelism Award was presented to Kay Abrams, member of UMC of Chugiak.

**Sunday, May 27
Afternoon Session**

The session opened with Bishop Paup leading the conference in the hymn "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus." The bishop then welcomed the Reverend Ted Moore, presiding elder of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion (AMEZ) Church. Rev. Moore invited attendees to the dedication of the St. James AMEZ Church scheduled for August 12, 11:00 AM, in Fairbanks AK.

Motion – To accept the Pre-82 Funding Plan as presented and prepared by treasurer Bob Meyers and benefits officer Brenda Wingfield. Motion supported.

Layperson of the Year for 2007 is KJ Metcalf, a member of Northern Light United Church in Juneau. KJ and several family members were present for this session.

Youth recommendation

Motion – It is recommended from the youth of the AMC that CCOYM investigate the possibility of finding and funding a conference youth coordinator. Motion passed.

Lay Leader Report – Dave Kobersmith

Dave Kobersmith shared a brief report of his travels, meetings and becoming acquainted with leaders and members of PNW conference. He also shared one his passions – Alaska Interfaith Power & Light (AIPL). This organization is a faith-based organization aiming to create a coordinated religious voice on global warming, while deepening the connection between ecology and faith. The vision of AIPL includes maximizing the use of the abundant renewable energy available throughout Alaska, promoting energy efficiency and conservation. Dave provided conference members with a brochure detailing how to become active in AIPL.

CCF&A – Debra Lindsay Hudgins

Motion – To approve 2008 amended budget. (The amendments included restoration of funding for Alaska Christian Conference and restoration of CCYOM to 2007 funding.)

Motion supported.

2008 Annual Conference of the Alaska Missionary Conference

2008 Annual Conference is scheduled for May 30 – June 1. Invitations were received from both St. John UMC and UMC of Chugiak to host the conference. The Annual Conference Planning Committee will decide where to meet in 2008.

Brenda Wingfield, conference secretary, moved that the 36th Session of the Alaska Missionary Conference be adjourned *sine die* following the Reading of Appointments and Sending Forth. Motion supported.

**Service of Commissioning and Recognition
and
Reading of Appointments**

Service opened with singing of “Many Gifts, One Spirit.” Bishop Paup’s scripture for his message was Acts 2:41–47.

Following the meditation, clergy, diaconal ministers and deaconesses affirmed their commitment in ministry. Bishop Edward Paup read the appointments and Superintendent Rachel Lieder Simeon read the assignments, which concluded the conference.

B. Disciplinary Questions

The answers to these questions are on file with the conference Secretary. Most of the information is contained in other parts of the journal.

C. Appointments
Conference Year 2007 – 2008

Code:

AMD - Associate Member, Deacon

DM - Diaconal Minister

FD - Deacon in Full Connection

FE - Full Elder

OF - Member of Other Denomination

* - Less than fulltime

RE - Retired Elder

FL - Full-time Local Pastor

PL - Part-time Local Pastor

PE - Probationary Elder

(I) - Interim

Church/Charge	Minister	Year
Superintendent/ Assistant to the Bishop Full Time	Rachel M. Lieder Simeon FE	4
Anchorage:		
Anchor Park	Jon Disburg FE	1
	Leila Disburg FE	1
East Anchorage	Jon Disburg FE	1
	Leila Disburg FE	1
First	Debra Lindsay-Hudgins FE	8
First Samoan	Sailitai Maga FL	4/11
Jewel Lake Parish	Lauren Kay Shock FE	7
Korean	Woo Shoung Park * PE	3
St. John	David Beckett FE	9
	Jo Ann Schaad FE	2
	J. Rose McLean DM	21
Turnagain	James Campbell FE	5
Chugiak	Milo Thornberry RE (I)	1
Douglas:		
Douglas Community	Imelda Ramos FE	3
Fairbanks:		
First UMC	Thomas Telfer FE	3
	Edith Greer * PL	5
Girdwood:		
Girdwood Chapel	James Doepken FE	8
Homer:		
Homer	Donald Strait RE (I)	1
Juneau:		
Aldersgate	Daniel Wanders RE	4
Northern Light	Jesse Perry OF	3
Kenai:		
New Covenant	Lucile Barton RE (I)	1
Ketchikan:		
First UMC	Anthony Ashworth RE	4
Ninilchik:		
St. Peter the Fisherman	Julie Wasser PLP	5
Nome:		
Community	TBA	

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North Kenai:			
North Star	Laura Skiba FE		4
North Pole:			
New Hope	TBA		
Seward:			
Seward Memorial/ Moose Pass	Peter Perry FE		1
Sitka:			
Sitka	Allen T. Baggett FE		3
	Linda Baggett FE		3
Soldotna:			
Soldotna	Richard Whetsell FE		3
Unalaska:			
Unalaska	Daniel Wilcox FE		1
Wasilla/Palmer:			
Christ First	Karen Martin Tichenor FE		3
Willow:			
Willow	Stephen D. Eldred FE		7
Extension Appointments			
AMC Administrative Assistant	Brenda Wingfield FD		5
Elder in Residence	Della Waghiyi RE		1
Deaconess			
Willow/Anvik/Grayling Church & Community Worker			
	Fran Lynch		
Lay Missionaries with GBGM Status			
Birchwood Camp	David Kobersmith		
	Kimberly Jo Kobersmith		

D. Laypersons and Harry Denman Award Recipients

Year	Layperson of the Year	Harry Denman Award
2007	KJ Metcalf, Northern Light	Kay Abrams, Chugiak
2006	Karen Chase, Seward	*
2005	Arlene Wood, Jewel Lake	<i>Walt Havs</i> , St. John
2004	Keith Sworts, First Fairbanks	Rose McLean, St. John
2003	Leslie Baker, Nikiski	Arlene Brovald, Jewel Lake
2002	*	*
2001	Don Gotschall	*
2000	*	*
1999	*	*
1998	*	Fran Lynch & <i>Jim Campbell</i> , Willow
1997	Susie Smalley, Soldotna	*
1996	Natalie Brooks, Chugiak	*
1995	Phyllis Folta, Willow	<i>Sailitai Maga</i> , Turnagain & <i>Waldemar Bobrowski</i> , Niniichik
1994	Jodi Martinez, East Anchorage	<i>Bonnie Campbell</i> , Unalaska
1993	Dale Davidson, Turnagain	Jan Cawvey, First Anchorage
1992	May Campbell, Aldersgate	<i>Divid Fison</i> , St. John & Verda Carey, Douglas
1991	Ellen Northrup, Aldersgate	Harry & Ann Janzen, Sitka
1990	Maynard Gross, Homer	Les & Betty Ludlum, St. John & <i>John Campbell</i> , Aldersgate
1989	Verda Carev, Douglas	Lane Reese, St. John
1988	Natalie Brooks, Chugiak	Julia Smith, Sitka & <i>Wayne Weld-Martin</i> , St. John
1987	Roland Stanton, Ketchikan	<i>Sharon Cooper</i> , Aldersgate
1986	Bea Shepard & Claudia Kelsey, Douglas	Richard Haight, Northern Light & <i>Geo-Chang Park</i> , Anchorage Korean
1985	Eva Christian, Willow/Parks Hwy.	Jackie Campbell, Seward & <i>Jack Christiansen</i> , Parks Hwy.
1984	*	<i>John Garvin</i> , ACS & <i>Willie Senungetuk</i> , Nome
1983	*	Nu & Halatoa Saulala, Tongan & Samoan; & <i>Art Edwards</i> , Anchor Park
1982	*	<i>Jim Buffington</i> & Reese Havens, First ANC; & Joyce Edwards, Anchor Park
1981	*	Robert Smay, St. John
*	No information or no award given	Clergy denoted in <i>italics</i>

V. REPORTS TO THE CONFERENCE

A. Regional Program Councils

1. Kenai Peninsula Regional Program Council – Sandy Stark

Since the 2006 Annual Conference the areas of emphasis have been Adult Christian Education, Youth Support, Prison Ministry, and beginning a program of Church Growth.

Adult Education took these forms:

- Lay Speaking/Leadership classes led by Julie Wasser and Laura Skiba with Dan Lush hosting.
- Continuing Education Event for professional and lay members led by Milo Thornberry (Making Disciples of Jesus Christ, Renewing Christian Congregations, Alleviating Human Suffering, Seeking Justice, Freedom & Peace) was arranged by Jon Walters and hosted in Homer.
- Silent Destruction of Palestine talk presented by Sandra Olewine hosted by Soldotna UMC.
- Evangelism Workshop on Increasing First Time Visitors and Assimilating Them Into Church.
- Science and Faith Continuing Education by Milo Thornberry in Homer.
- Youth Support:
 - Mission trip led by Dan Lush to Mat-Su area
 - Conference in Johannesburg, South Africa
 - Local youth attended Snow Camp at Birchwood and a trip to Hope
- Prison Ministry:
 - Kenai Peninsula churches supporting a team visiting, training and bestowing love packages of homemade cookies upon prisoners at Wildwood Correctional facility north of Kenai.

Church Growth was highlighted in Milo Thornberry's fall presentation and the March Evangelism Workshop led by Rev. Richard Jones.

2. Northern Regional Program Council – Gayle Miller

The VIM trip to Mexico had to be canceled completely so funds were sent to the church to be used for fencing supplies. Financial support was given to the Radical Hospitality Workshops presented in March and we will also support the Strathdee concert that is planned. The annual spring retreat is on the calendar and will be held in Fairbanks. At that gathering, a decision will be made about the balance of the New Ministries grant.

3. Southcentral Regional Program Council – Betty Burke

In 2006, the South Central Regional Program Council supported several programs.

- A Basic and Advanced Lay Speaker training course was held in April.
- Perkins Lay School of Theology faculty returned in September.
- In the fall, we began to explore the idea of some new ministries in unexpected settings around our urban area; discussions continue.
- The Advent Singspiration in December brought several Southcentral UMC congregations together for choral music and congregational singing followed by holiday fellowship.
- We invited the Anchorage community into our churches for Christmas Eve worship services with a large newspaper advertisement.
- Developed an Advent calendar tool for fundraising in support of the First Samoan UMC Missional Priority.

- During the summer, we helped support the College Age ministry led by Erin Campbell; gave prayer support to the Youth Ministry mission trip to Anvik; and the young adults who represented Alaska at the international legislative gathering in South Africa.

B. Administrative Unit – Lonnie Brooks

For report of Trustees, HealthFlex, Board of Pensions, Emergency Maintenance Loan Fund, Alaska Missionary Conference Foundation and Equitable Compensation see pages 26 - 31.

1. Church Location and Building – Lonnie Brooks

In keeping with ¶260.4 of the United Methodist Book of Discipline, the AMC Board of Church Location and Building makes the following recommendations:

1. The New Ministries Committee, in cooperation with the AMC Superintendent, shall carefully study the demographics, the history, the economics, and the missional needs of any area in which the organization of a new United Methodist local church is contemplated.
2. If the Superintendent considers it to be desirable to proceed, the Superintendent shall follow the provisions of ¶260 of the Book of Discipline and shall early in the process notify the Board of Church Location and Building of its interest in establishing the church.
3. In the case of an existing United Methodist fellowship, the Superintendent shall follow the same procedures, except that the New Ministries Committee shall have a role in the process only if invited to do so by the Superintendent.
4. It shall be considered to be normal not to hold a constituting church conference (¶260.7 through ¶260.9) until the number of people interested in becoming charter members of the new church reaches one hundred (100) (¶260.5).
5. In certain highly missional circumstances the requirement of a minimum of 100 charter members may be waived upon agreement between the Superintendent and the Board of Church Location and Building. The decision may be based upon criteria chosen by the parties, but the parties are encouraged to consider as relevant the potential for self supporting ministry, opportunities for cooperative parish ministries (¶206), the possibility of ecumenical shared ministries (¶207), especially with other churches who are members of Churches Uniting in Christ, and the benefits of circuit ministries (¶205.2).

C. Council on Finance and Administration – Debra Lindsay-Hudgins

For report, see page 22.

D. Professional Ministry Unit – Jim Doeppen

For report, see page 31.

E. Superintendent– Rachel Lieder Simeon

For report, see page 32.

F. Conference Lay Leader – David Kobersmith

For report, see page 34.

G. Commission on Archives and History – Michael Cline

Using the newly purchased storage cabinets and available shelves co-archivist Larry Hayden has been organizing our historical materials so that they may be easily accessed. A detailed inventory is available and people are encouraged to use this important resource. Contact Larry

at 279-4862 or hayden@alaska.com. Larry has also published *A History of Birchwood Camp* with many great pictures. Copies are available from David Kobersmith at the camp. The Commission is anxious to receive documents, letters, pictures, and other materials that could be of historical importance concerning Methodist history in Alaska. A large collection of Disciplines, hymnals, and other books from the Knight family was a welcome addition this year.

At the winter meeting, in an attempt to provide more current information for all United Methodists in Alaska, the Commission proposed that the Alaska Missionary Conference develop and disseminate a monthly newsletter. This would be of historical interest, but more importantly it would keep all members more abreast of activities in our churches and their administration.

Larry Hayden attended the 2006 Western Jurisdictional Meeting in Claremont, California. Finally, since Homer has been chosen to host the meeting of the Western Jurisdictional Commission on Archives and History in 2009 the Commission is devoting increasing time to prepare for this event. People in Alaska interested in history of the lower Kenai Peninsula should take note and plan to participate during the last weekend in April 2009.

H. New Ministries – John Campbell

The New Ministries Committee funded two “emerging projects” in 2006. Funding was provided for a special conference on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome that was sponsored by the Northern Light Church. Funding was also provided for development of a youth component to the Filipino Ministry at the Douglas Church.

The Committee continues to explore ways that it can support new and emerging ministries in local settings around the conference. Application forms have been sent to every local church and also are available from the committee.

For 2007 the Committee requested funding for an Igniting Ministries Campaign. TV spots will air on the state-wide channel at the beginning of the school year. We anticipate receiving a matching grant from the United Methodist Communications. A number of our churches in the conference participated in “Radical Hospitality” Workshops this spring that were sponsored by St. John Church. This will be good preparation for the TV campaign in the fall.

For the future we continue to keep an eye on Whittier and are looking for options to have a “presence” in that community as it grows. We plan to have one of our committee members attend national School of Congregational Development this summer and then be available as a resource to other churches.

Finally we continue to dream about ways in which the Alaska Missionary Conference can expand its ministry with Native folks in Alaska. We realize that this will need to be initiated through our Native Ministries Committee but we stand ready to help in what ever way we can.

I. Outdoor Ministries – Von Cawvey

Outdoor Ministries has a membership made up of individuals dedicated to the camping ministry of the Alaska Missionary Conference. The Hope Retreat Center, Eagle River Camp, and Birchwood Camp all have strong proponents on the committee. Because many on the committee have never been to the Eagle River Camp, we are planning our fall meeting there. This will give us a chance to see the facilities and exchange ideas specific to the management and maintenance of our respective home camps. In addition, we will be able to discuss issues that we normally cannot address due to the limited time together at the conference wide meetings.

The committee is very appreciative of the Conference funds budgeted to Birchwood and Eagle River Camps for this calendar year. The allotted funds have greatly relieved the financial pressures being felt by both camps and will help sustain the ministry and hospitality for which the camps are known around the conference and in their local community. Thank you for this tremendous support!

Hope Retreat Center – Jackie Campbell

The Hope Retreat Center has been a busy place this past year. Improvements continue to be made, board members had two work days and installed patio doors out to the deck. The yard was cleaned up and more insulation was added to the septic system. Also a kitchen table was purchased.

Northern Test Lab certified the well water as safe for drinking.

In order to operate within our budget the board voted to increase the rental fee to \$50.00 per night up to 5 guests and \$10.00 per head over that , with a maximum number of 15.

J. United Methodist Women – Pat Wise

For report, see page 25.

K. Volunteers in Mission – Lori Staats

Alaska is in the unique position of having many opportunities to both host and send teams. I have received many inquiries from teams asking about serving in both 2007, and those planning for 2008. All teams should be insured, and the GBGM insurance is available once sites are posted on the national project list. Please make sure incoming teams have insurance before having them work at any AMC site.

Beginning in 2008 Safe Sanctuaries training will be required for team leaders.

L. Alaska Children's Services – Kelli Williams

We so often talk about connectionalism within the United Methodist Church. One of the most exciting stories the ACS Spiritual Life Department has to tell regarding this past year speaks volumes of the ways we are connected.

Joan Weaver of Kansas picked up the October 2006 edition of Response magazine and read the article on page 25 entitled: Alaska Children's Services: Meeting Spiritual Needs. She saw that we were searching for drums to buy so that our Spiritual Life Minister, Brian Anderson could start a drumming circle as another aspect of our Native Spirituality ministry. She told this to her world-renowned drum maker husband Jerry and in late March the council drum called "Path Seekers" was blessed and named at a gathering of about 35 UMW ladies at the Lewis UMC in Kansas. Jerry told this UMW circle he was donating the drum through them. Although First Congregational Church in Anchorage did a fundraiser for the postage needed to get the drum to Alaska, a blanket offering at Lewis UMC raised \$100 towards the postage to mail the drum to Alaska was received.

Our ACS Spiritual Life core programming includes: chapel, devotions, story time, student choirs, sweat lodges, providing sacred writings, meeting individual special needs, creating personalized ceremonies, drumming circles, meditation groups, and a weekly e-mail prayer chain are merely the backbone of the spiritual care we are able to provide wounded kids.

We praise God and give thanks for the many ways the Alaska Missionary Conference is connected to ACS! What good fortune to have you in ministry with us at Alaska Children's Services.

**M. Willow-Anvik-Grayling Church & Community Ministry –
Fran Lynch, Deaconess and Church and Community Worker**

The past year has been good. The WAG Church and Community Ministry continued in its ongoing efforts to help families in Willow with emergency assistance of food, clothes, home repair, utility assistance, household items, school supplies, etc. Many members of Willow UMC and folks from the larger community support this work with donations of money, various items, time, and energy. The children in Anvik and Grayling continue to enjoy Sunday School each month during the school year and attendance at Birchwood Camp in the summer.

There were several large donations to the ministry which have proven to be very helpful. Holston Conference, my home conference, raised \$100,000 to support the ministry. Part of the funds will be spent by the AMC to cover expenses of the ministry and part of the funds are lodged with Willow UMC to cover expenses of the ministry in Willow. It will take us a couple of years to spend all of these resources and I continue to pursue other fund raising efforts. Holston Conference also contributed 4,000 pounds of snack items, school supplies, toiletry items, and new clothes this past summer through their VBS programs. This was a God-send as we worked with folks in Willow after the flood that damaged many families homes.

We had a ten year review by the Executive Secretary of the Church and Community Ministry of GBGM. She was pleased with the work of the ministry and made a few helpful recommendations that include clearing up some lines of authority and including more folks from the Willow area on the oversight Committee. I anticipate many more years of valued ministry and appreciate the support of the Alaska Missionary Conference to see that this happens.

N. Disaster Preparedness – Steve Eldred

2006 saw several relatively small disasters across the State of Alaska, from wind-storms and coastal flooding in the west, to river/stream flooding on the Kenai and in the Mat-Su Valley. Local churches responded in a variety of ways from replacing washed away firewood, and providing emergency food and fuel supplies to assisting in cleaning up affected homes and areas. The Willow CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) was activated as an early responder to the Willow Creek flooding by filling sand bags and joining the Red Cross in initial damage assessment.

Perhaps more significantly, the AMC is an active participant in developing multi-level disaster response organizations across the State. Richard Whetsell is the Chair of AKVOAD (Alaska Voluntary Organizations active in Disasters). Steve Eldred is the AMC representative on that Board, as well as chairing the Mat-Su VOAD. We have received training and support from Church World Service, FEMA, Homeland Security, Salvation Army, Red Cross, Public Health, CRWRC (Christian Reformed World Relief Committee) and UMCOR. We have developed working relationships with many local organizations and denominations, along with governmental departments in coordinating efforts in responding to future disasters. St. John UMC has an active disaster task force and has participated in training as well.

AKVOAD has an active Unmet Needs Committee that has identified about 60 families who still have needs following recent storms and floods. A grant request is in process to UMCOR for assisting in responding to those needs.

O. University Community Ministry, Anchorage – Doug Lindsay

It is my goal to develop and maintain relationships with students at both APU and University of Alaska Anchorage that transcend denominational labels. This is in keeping with the mission statement of the Campus Ministry Committee that advocates the position of Campus Chaplain as demonstrating the presence of Christ in these educational settings. My first task as Chaplain was to send an e-mail through the Dean of Students introducing myself and attaching a list of the various worship communities in the APU area.

A weekly Tuesday evening chapel service began on September 12, with worship themes indirectly inspired by Stephen Colbert's "The Colbert Report" on Comedy Central. Every broadcast, Mr. Colbert has a daily "Word," on which he expounds. Each chapel service has a weekly "Word" (Doubt, Mistake, Laugh, Thanks, etc.) which focuses the participation of each attendee and lends itself to participation. These services are informal, friendly, and welcoming – with refreshments served.

I have also participated in a number of APU community events: Fall Convocation, the Annual Honors Banquet, and the Denali Society Luncheon. However, the two most important events were a Memorial Service for faculty member Kelly Holmquist and Fall Commencement. Mr. Holmquist's service was a true celebration of his life, and involved students, faculty, and staff from the entire APU community. However, the most inspiring event was Commencement on December 16. Since the classes were much smaller than Spring Commencement, each student had the opportunity to speak as a "valedictorian." However, what was amazing was the number of students who expressed their deep gratitude to the faculty and staff of APU. There were numerous comments of: "no one else would take a chance on me"; "everyone was so supportive of my goals"; "at another university I was just a number, but here I was part of a family." This speaks to the unique nature of Alaska Pacific University: the expressed mission to integrate Wesley's "knowledge and vital piety" into the educational experience.

P. United Campus Ministry – David Moore

It has been a wonderful year here at United Campus Ministry in Fairbanks. Some of the highlights of the year have included: Tuesday evening worship service, our fall and spring retreats, and Thursday afternoon Bible study, as well as our long standing traditions of serving the community and caring for each other.

In the Fall we talked about figures in history and their faith. We discussed Abraham Lincoln, Mother Teresa, and John Wesley among others. In Leadership we read "Leading Beyond the Walls" by Adam Hamilton. This book guided us towards reaching out to our campus and ministering to all students. Our Fall Retreat, at Bingle Camp, our topic was "Setting Standards." We also had a fun campfire where we sang songs, cooked s'mores and played telephone and laughed a lot. Our Spring Retreat focus was on what blessings are and what blessings we have in our lives.

We had a fantastic spring break extravaganza. We were welcomed to St. John United Methodist in Anchorage by Floyd and Ann Faulkner (Jessica and Megan's parents). Saturday we worked at the Alaska Medical Mission sorting medical devices; Sunday, we worshipped at St. John in the morning and then helped to lead worship through song in the evening; Monday, some of us made our way down to Girdwood to ski at Alyeska, while others in our group spent time with family and enjoyed being in the big city.

Tuesday evening Vespers have included a series based on the teachings of legendary college basketball coach John Wooden, Golden Chapters of the Bible, which included Psalms 84 on worship, John 6 about Christ being the bread of life and Daniel 6 about Daniel in the lion's den.

Q. General Boards**General Board of Discipleship – J. Rose McLean**

The General Board of Discipleship's mission is to support churches and agencies in making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. This work is done in a myriad of ways. One of these is through the Romans 12 project. The Board identified 935 churches (out of a possible 35,000) that do a credible, though not perfect, job of making disciples. Through surveys it is hoped that the denomination will be able to glean information to share with other churches as everyone tries to improve in fulfilling the mission. St. John and First Fairbanks were nominated as Romans 12 Congregations. Three young adults from the AMC, Kate Simeon, Tonya Odden, and Erin Campbell attended the Global Young People's Convocation in Johannesburg which was sponsored by this Board. I continue to serve on the Curriculum Resources Committee on the children's section and have approved a variety of curricula for use by the denomination. In the Legislation and Evaluation committee we completed the evaluation of the Board and began working on legislation for General Conference.

General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns (GCCUIC)**Lonnie Brooks and Georgina Dapceovich**

The spring 2006 meeting of the commission was an historic first to be held outside the United States. We met in Geneva, Switzerland, to do our part in living into the vision the Church has expressed in being more than a United States entity. The commission was in conversation with several of the European Central Conferences at this meeting. Geneva is not only the place where the reformed tradition of Protestantism was incubated, it is the home of the World Council of Churches, one of the ecumenical councils supported by The UMC through its Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, managed by the commission.

At its fall 2006 meeting the commission vigorously debated the degree to which The UMC ought to support and be involved in the new ecumenical organization, Christian Churches Together. Representatives of the predominantly African American member churches of the Commission on Pan Methodist Cooperation and Union expressed serious reservations about their ability to support yet one more ecumenical council, and they also have concerns about whether or not this group might compromise the mission and ministry of the National Council of Churches. At the end of the debate, the commission agreed that The UMC should go forward with its plan to take provisional membership in CCT, but would not proceed further without coming to one mind with the historically African American Methodist churches with which The UMC is in full communion.

The Committee on Legislation and Polity which Lonnie chairs is in the midst of its busiest time of the quadrennium, preparing the legislation of the commission for General Conference 2008. The commission will next meet in June, 2007, and that will be its only meeting this year.

Episcopacy Committee – Rose McLean

At the winter meetings of the conference the PMU met with Ed Paup, our bishop, to give us an opportunity to hear more about his ministry and ideas for the Alaska Missionary Conference. Having the continued appointment of the same bishop for several quadrennia provides a unique opportunity for new ministries and we are particularly enthusiastic about the possibilities of increasing our outreach with and to Native communities.

Ministry Study Commission – Rose McLean

The Ministry Study Commission had a report on line and at the February meeting evaluated much of the response that resulted from the report. At this point we do not anticipate bringing any legislation to General Conference but will present a report as a study document with legislation to follow for the 2012 General Conference.

R. Western Jurisdiction (WJ) Committees

WJ Conferences Committee – Dave Beckett

The motivation to activate this committee arose from proposed legislation at the 2004 General Conference to eliminate a bishop from each jurisdiction. We have used this as reason to talk about annual conference boundary changes not so much to respond to legislation but to enhance mission and ministry of our church in the west. Porous boundaries were a term we often used in our discussions. If we are to see annual conference boundaries not as barriers to ministry but open doors it is clear we need to talk about clergy taking appointments across boundary lines. This means we need to have conversations about how pensions, health insurance, and salaries would be handled. Our committee is encouraging such dialogues regardless of what action General Conference takes in 2008.

We have proposed four alternatives to the Jurisdiction: 1) do nothing; 2) map A 3) map B 4) map C. My hope is to post these maps on our conference web site. These proposals were presented to the jurisdictional leadership team in February 2007. They will be refined and formally presented to the Jurisdictional Conference in 2008.

WJ Committee on the Episcopacy – J. Rose McLean

This year Rachel Lieder Simeon and I joined the rest of the committee in Anaheim, CA and in addition to hearing reports from each conference regarding the effectiveness of the bishops, we were part of a larger group including the leadership team and the conferences committees. We heard reports about possible realigning of conferences and ways the Western Jurisdiction could be more effective in ministry.

Christ First – Wasilla

Chugiak

Douglas

First – Anchorage

First – Ketchikan

Soldotna

St. John

Jason Corbett
Robert Cox
Owen King
Steve King
Steve Rice
Ryan Shearer
Margaret Smith
Robert Smith
Tony Smith
Dorothy Smithson
Alex Stack
Jim Stirling
Ellen Wesley

VII. CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF SESSIONS

[See 1966 JOURNAL, p. 83, for 1-25 Sessions of Alaska Mission]

[See 1971 JOURNAL, p. 110, for 26-30 Sessions of Alaska Mission]

[See 1980 JOURNAL, p. 117, for 1-9 Sessions of the Alaska Missionary Conference]

[See 1985 JOURNAL, p. 102, for 10-14 Sessions of the Alaska Missionary Conference]

[See 2003 JOURNAL, p. 60, for 15-30 Sessions of the Alaska Missionary Conference]

No.	Year	Place	Presiding		Superintendent	Secretary
			Bishop			
31	2002	First, Anchorage	Paup	Holway, Lieder Simeon, Baker		Wingfield
32	2003	UMC of Chugiak	Paup	Holway, Lieder Simeon, Baker		Wingfield
33	2004	UMC of Chugiak	Paup	Holway, Lieder Simeon, Baker		Wingfield
34	2005	St. John UMC	Paup	Lieder Simeon		Wingfield
35	2006	St. John UMC	Paup	Lieder Simeon		Wingfield
36	2007	St. John UMC	Paup	Lieder Simeon		Wingfield

VIII. CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF MINISTERS

[See 1966 JOURNAL for 1886-1966 Records]

[See 1971 JOURNAL for 1962-1970 Records]

[See 1980 JOURNAL for 1971-1980 Records]

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[See 2002 JOURNAL for 2000-2001 Records]

[See 2004 JOURNAL for 2002-2004 Records]

Name	First Year of Appointment	Appointment
Allen T. Baggett	2005	Sitka
Linda Baggett	2005	Sitka
Dale Kelley	2005	Unalaska
Woo Shoung Park	2005	Anchorage Korean
Imelda Ramos	2005	Douglas Community
Thomas Telfer	2005	First, Fairbanks
Karen Martin Tichenor	2005	Christ First, Wasilla/Palmer
Richard Whetsell	2005	Soldotna
Bonnie Campbell	2006	East Anchorage
John Campbell	2006	East Anchorage
Susan Knight	2006	Community, Nome
Jo Ann Schaadt-Patterson	2006	St. John
Richard Smith (I)	2006	Seward Memorial/Moose Pass
Jon Disburg	2007	Anchor Park, East Anchorage
Leila Disburg	2007	Anchor Park, East Anchorage
Peter Perry	2007	Seward, Moose Pass
Donald Strait (I)	2007	Homer
Milo Thornberry	2007	Chugiak
Della Waghiyi	2007	AMC Elder in Residence
Daniel Wilcox	2007	Unalaska

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IX. ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES

A. Record of Ordained Ministers

*** Retired Elder

sa Special appointment from an Annual Conference to an institution in the AMC

ASHWORTH, ANTHONY***.....Rocky Mountain
RMC: D 1969, E 1972. Education: BME, Friends University, Wichita KS; MDiv, Iliff School
Theology. APPOINTMENTS: Montclair, 1968; Good Shepherd, 1969; Berta Penney, 1971;
Longs Peak 1973; Applewood, 1975; Delta, 1977; Loveland, 1985; Good Shepherd, 1991.
SPOUSE: Beverly, CHILDREN, Kimba Fischer, Lynea Skeet.

BAGGETT, ALLEN T.Oklahoma
Oklahoma: D 1992; E 1996. EDUCATION: BS:Ed Central State University 1973; M-Div.
Perkins School Of Theology, 1994. APPOINTMENTS: Thackerville, & Gainesville, TX 1990;
First, Broken Arrow (Associate), 1995; Catoosa, 1997; Claremore 2003; Alaska Missionary
Conference: Sitka, 2005. SPOUSE: Linda, CHILDREN: Travis, Colby, and Summer.

BAGGETT, LINDA Oklahoma
Oklahoma: AM, 1999. EDUCATION: Oklahoma State Univ., COSS, Perkins School of
Theology 1999; Advanced COSS, Perkins. APPOINTMENTS: Callisburg (N.TX), Rose Hill
(Tulsa), Nowata, Alaska Missionary Conference: Sitka, 2005. SPOUSE: Trent. CHILDREN:
Travis, Colby, Summer.

BECKETT, DAVID.....West Ohio
West Ohio: D 1981; E 1984. EDUCATION: Georgia State University, 1975; United
Theological Seminary, 1982. APPOINTMENTS: Allentown and Hume, 1982; Allentown,
1985; Trinity (Associate), 1987; Alaska Missionary Conference: Soldotna, 1991; St. John,
1999. SPOUSE: Kim, CHILDREN: Jennifer, Ryan, Lauren, and Jeremy.

CAMPBELL, JAMES A.....Iowa
Rocky Mountain: PM 1972; E 1972; Iowa: FC 1974; E 1974; EDUCATION: University of
Southern Colorado, BA, 1969; University of Illinois, MA, 1971; University of Dubuque, M
Div, 1973; S.T.M., 1977; D Min, 1981. APPOINTMENTS: Baldwin-Monmouth, 1972;
Nishna Valley Parish, 1975; Storm Lake, (Associate), 1977; Dunlap-Dow City, 1980;
Davenport, Christ Church, 1986; Alaska Missionary Conference: Parks Highway Parish and
AMC Council Director, 1990; Willow, 1994; Director, Humanitarian Aid to the Russian Far
East, 2000; Turnagain, 2003. SPOUSE: Margaret Leona; CHILDREN: James, Earl, Erin.

DISBURG, JON.....Iowa
Iowa: D 1986; E 1990. EDUCATION: Iowa State University, 1977; Boston University School
of Theology, 1987. APPOINTMENTS: To School, 1986; Southern New England Conference:
Wareham, Wesley, 1987; Iowa Annual Conference: Grimes, 1988; Bloomfield, 1991;
Bloomfield-West Grove-Drakesville Team Ministry, 1993; Des Moines, First, Associate, 1997;
West Des Moines, Valley, 1998; West Des Moines, Valley, Co-Pastor, 2000; Leave of
Absence, 1 July 2006-28 February 2007; Newton, St. Luke, Interim Pastor, 1 March 2007-30
June 2007; Alaska Missionary Conference: Anchor Park & East Anchorage, 2007. SPOUSE:
Leila; CHILDREN: Meghan, Ashley.

DISBURG, LEILA.....Iowa
Iowa: D 1992; E 1996. EDUCATION: Iowa State University 1978; Saint Paul School of Theology 1993. APPOINTMENTS: Bloomfield Associate 1991; Bloomfield-West Grove-Drakesville Team Ministry 1993; Granger 1997; West Des Moines, Valley Co-pastor 2000; Voluntary Leave of Absence 2006; Alaska Missionary Conference; Anchor Park & East Anchorage 2007. SPOUSE: Jon. CHILDREN: Meghan and Ashley.

DOEPKEN, JAMES MCINTYRENorth Indiana
North Indiana: Preparatory Member/Deacon 1993; Elder 1996; EDUCATION: Wabash College, BA, 1991; Duke University, The Divinity School, M Div, 1994; APPOINTMENTS: North Indiana: School, 1993; Frankfort, Trinity, 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference: Kenai, New Covenant, 1997; Girdwood, Girdwood Chapel, 2000. SPOUSE: Julie Christine. CHILDREN: Samuel James, Moriah Grace, Suzannah McIntyre.

ELDRED, STEPHEN D.Nebraska
Nebraska, E. EDUCATION: U. of Nebraska, BA, 1966; Officer Candidate School, US Coast Guard, 1967; United Seminary, M. Div., 1976. APPOINTMENTS: Nebraska, Big Springs, 1977; Omaha Pearl-Asbury, 1980; Omaha Renaitre, 1981; Pearl Memorial, 1983; Pearl Memorial-Asbury, 1985; Plattsmouth, 1994; Alaska Missionary Conference, Willow, 2001. SPOUSE: Barbarjean CHILDREN: Mark, Laura

LIEDER SIMEON, RACHEL M.Yellowstone
Iowa Conference: D 1982, Yellowstone: E 1985. EDUCATION: Morningside College; Claremont School of Theology. APPOINTMENTS: Yellowstone: Anaconda, 1983; Libby, 1986; Iowa: St. Paul, 1989; Alaska Missionary Conference: Chugiak, 1993; ½ time, Chugiak, ½ time, AMC Superintending Team, 1999; AMC Superintendent, 2004. SPOUSE: Mark C. Haines Simeon. CHILDREN: Anna E. and Kate C.

LINDSAY-HUDGINS, DEBRA.....Delaware-Peninsula
Delaware-Peninsula: D 1983; E 1986. EDUCATION: Asbury College, 1980; Princeton Theological Seminary, 1983; CPE, Delaware State Hospital, 1984. APPOINTMENTS: Delaware State Hospital, Assistant Chaplain, 1983; McCabe, 1984; Ellendale, 1988; Georgetown, 1991; St. Mark, 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference, First, Anchorage, 2000. SPOUSE: Douglas Lindsay.

PARK, WOO SHOUNGCalifornia-Pacific
(P.97; F.) EDUCATION: Mokwon University, Daejeon, Korea; Mokwon Theological Seminary, Daejeon, Korea. APPOINTMENTS: Korean Mission Conference, Cal-Pac, 1997, Walnut Korean Mission; 1997 (Nov 9) West Covina: Korean; 1999 (Mar) Monrovia: Korean; 2004 South Pasadena: Pacific Korean. 2005, Alaska Missionary: Anchorage Korean. SPOUSE: Sarah. CHILDREN: Julie Park and Daniel Park.

PERRY, PETER K.Desert Southwest
D 1984: Pacific Southwest; E 1987 Desert Southwest. EDUCATION: California State Univ Fullerton, 1982; Pacific School of Religion, 1985. APPOINTMENTS: Pacific Southwest 1984, to school; Desert Southwest 1985 Mesa, AZ: Velda Rose UMC (associate); 1988, Sedona, AZ: UMC of Sedona; 1994 Prescott, AZ: Prescott UMC; 2001, Phoenix, AZ: FUMC; Alaska Missionary Conference, Seward/Moose Pass UMCs, 2007. SPOUSE: Karen. CHILDREN: David, Elizabeth

RAMOS, IMELDA.....East Mindanao, Philippine Annual Conference, Davao Episcopal Area, Philippines
 D 1991; E 1995. EDUCATION: University of Mindanao, 1988; Union Theological Seminary, M.Div., 1991; University of San Carlos, 1996; Candidate, MA Psychology; Human Resource Management Course, Christian Institute of Management 1998. APPOINTMENTS: Green Academy Methodist Church, 1991; Visayas State College of Agriculture Methodist Community Church, 1994; Calvary Bible School, 1997; Evangelical Theological College of the Philippines, 1999; Kapatiran-Kaunlaran Foundation, Inc. (formerly Methodist Social Center), 2005; Alaska Missionary Conference: Douglas Community UMC, 2005.

SHOCK, LAUREN KAYOklahoma
 Oklahoma, DM, 1990; D, 1994; E, 1999. EDUCATION: Southern Nazarene University, BA, 1984; Oklahoma City University, MAR, 1989; Phillips Theological Seminary, M Div, 1996. APPOINTMENTS: Oklahoma, DM, FUMC, Duncan, 1990; Grace, Tulsa, 1994. As clergy, Wellston, 1996; McAlester-Savanna Charge, 1998. Alaska Missionary Conference: Jewel Lake Parish, 2001. SPOUSE: James. CHILDREN: Joel Thomas Carpenter

SKIBA, LAURA PULEO.....Western Pennsylvania
 Western Pennsylvania: Certified, 1993; Probationary member, 1998; Commissioned, 1998; Full Member, 2001; Elder, 2001. EDUCATION: B.A. Asbury College, 1991; M.Div. Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, 1998. APPOINTMENTS: Strattanville/Asbury/Corsica 1998-2004. Alaska Missionary Conference: North Star, 2004.
 SPOUSE: Kevin. CHILDREN: Justin, Maggie, Tyler, Sawyer, Kathryn & Nicholas

SCHAADT, JO ANNPacific Northwest
 West Ohio: D 1998; Pacific Northwest: D 2000. Education: Bowling Green State University, 1987; Kent State University 1989; United Theological Seminary, 1998. APPOINTMENTS: West Ohio: Xenia Faith Community 1995; Chattanooga, 1996; Pacific Northwest - Seattle: Green Lake, 1998; Mercer Island, 2003; Alaska Missionary Conference: St. John, 2006. SPOUSE: Michael, CHILD: Sara.

TELFER, THOMAS.....Pacific Northwest
 PNW: D 1986; E 1988. EDUCATION: Seattle Pacific University, 1981; Claremont School of Theology, 1986. APPOINTMENTS: Reardan, WA, 1985; Spokane Valley (Associate), 11/1/1987; Orchards, 4/1/1991; Alaska Missionary Conference: Anchor Park, 1995; Oregon-Idaho: Madras, 1999; Alaska Missionary Conference: Fairbanks First, 2005. SPOUSE: Jan, CHILDREN: Luke, Rebekah, and Zachary

TICHENOR, KAREN MARTIN.....Pacific Northwest
 D 1984; E 1987. EDUCATION: University of Washington, 1982; Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, 1985. APPOINTMENTS: Trinity 1985; School 1989; Langley (Associate), 1989; St. Paul, 1990; Puget Counseling Center (Pastoral Therapist), 1991; Paul, 1995; Moran, 1996; Manito, 2001; Alaska Missionary Conference, Christ First, 2005. SPOUSE: Dennis.

WANDERS, DAN***.....Yellowstone
 Northwest Indiana: D 1964; E 1966; EDUCATION: Southern Illinois University, 1961 BA; Garrett Theological Seminary, 1966 M.Div. APPOINTMENTS: Tennessee: Dorton-Grassy Cove, 1962, Approved Supply; Northwest Indiana: 1964, Crown Point, Student Assistant; 1965, Tefft; 1966, Francesville-Independence; Montana 1968: 1968, Chester; Yellowstone 1969: 9/1/70, Chester-Inverness and Whitlash Presbyterian; 1972, Butte Larger Parish; 1/15/79, Lewiston-Winifred; 1982, Helena, Covenant; 1994, Cody; 1999, RE; Alaska Missionary: 2002, Chugiak, DS assignment; 2003, Chugiak, Interim; 2004, Aldersgate, Interim; 2005, Aldersgate. SPOUSE: Beverly.

WHETSELL, RICHARD.....Oklahoma
 Oklahoma: D 1988; E 1992 EDUCATION: Oklahoma State University, 1969; Phillips Theological Seminary, 1990. APPOINTMENTS: Oklahoma: Ringwood and Ames, 1985; First UMC Enid, Associate 1990; Hillcrest (OKC), 1993; St. Matthew (Midwest City), 1998; Alaska Missionary Conference: Soldotna, 2005. SPOUSE: Karolann, CHILDREN: Don, Nancy

WILCOX, DANIEL.....Central PA
 Central PA: Commissioned Probationer 2000, E 2003. EDUCATION: Eastern College, St. Davids, PA, 1997; Asbury Theological Seminary, 2000. APPOINTMENTS: Emmanuel, Windsor, 2000; Alaska Missionary Conference: Unalaska, 2007. SPOUSE: Kris-Ann; CHILDREN: Esther, Jaden, Lydia.

B. Record of Ordained Ministers under Special Appointment

WINGFIELD, BRENDA.....Oregon-Idaho
 Diaconal Minister, 1997, Deacon in Full Connection, 2002. EDUCATION: Ohio State University, BSN, 1968; Iliff School of Theology, MAR, 1995. EMPLOYMENT: Rocky Mountain: First Golden, 1995; Alaska Missionary Conference: Homer, 1996; Anchorage, Turnagain, 1999; AMC Administrative Assistant, 2003.
 CHILDREN: Timothy Joseph, Kevin John

WAGHIYI, DELLAAlaska Missionary
 Alaska: E 2007. APPOINTMENTS: Elder in Residence, Alaska, 2007.

C. Record of Local Pastors

GREER, EDITH
 Local Pastor, 2000. EDUCATION: University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1986, BA in Accounting; Claremont School of Theology, Course of Study, 2000. APPOINTMENTS: Alaska Missionary Conference: Aldersgate, 1993; First Fairbanks, 2001.
 CHILDREN: Debbie Blemke, David Greer, Mark Greer.

MAGA, SAILITAI
 Local Pastor, 2000. EDUCATION: Leeward Community College, AA; Claremont School of Theology, Course of Study, 2000. APPOINTMENTS: Alaska Missionary Conference: Samoan Fellowship, 1994; First Samoan UMC of Anchorage, 2004. SPOUSE: Finau.

WASSER, JULIE ANN

Local Pastor, 1985. EDUCATION: Hillsboro College, AA; Candler School of Theology, Course of Study, 1990. APPOINTMENTS: Missouri: Greenville/Paterson, 1985. Alabama/West Florida: Repton, 1987; St. Stephens, 1989. Alaska Missionary Conference: Trapper Creek, 2000; St. Peter the Fisherman, 2003. SPOUSE: Robert
CHILDREN: Keith Sheffer, Ronald Sheffer, Peter Sheffer

D. Record of Diaconal Ministers

MCLEAN, JIMETTE ROSE

Certified Director of Christian Education, 1969; Diaconal Minister, 1987; EDUCATION: McMurry College, B.A., 1966; Duke Divinity School, M.R.E., 1968; EMPLOYMENT: Hammond, Indiana, Woodmar United Methodist, 1968; Ann Arbor, Michigan, First United Methodist, 1974; Alaska Missionary Conference: Anchorage, St. John, 1987.

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IDENTITY		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP																								
CHURCH	PASTOR	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP																								
		Total Full Members in 2005	Received on Profession of Christian Faith	Restored by Affirmation	Received from other UM Churches	Received from other Denominations	Removed or Corrected by Charge Conf. Action	Withdrawn	Removed by Transfer to other UM Churches	Removed by Transfer to Other Denominations	Removed by Death	Asian Members	Black Members	Hispanic Members	Native American Members	Pacific Island Members	Mixed Race Members	White Members	Members Who Are Female	Members Who Are Male	Total Full Members in 2006	Average Attendance at Worship Service(s)	Number of Persons Baptized in 2006	Preparatory Members (Number of Baptized Children Under Age 19)	Number of Persons on Constituency Roll	Total Enrolled in Confirmation Classes
1 Homer	Lush	145	28	20	3	4	58	50	6	7	8	981	902	883	884	885	886	887	888	889	9	10	11	12	13	14
2 Kenai	Walters	92	2	0	1	0	5	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	148	93	55	148	92	94	2	2	89
3 Moose Pass	Smith	31	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	50	42	92	50	1	8	6	
4 Nishik	Smith	68	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	39	22	17	39	15	0	7	0	
5 Nishik	Smith	50	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6	0	0	69	41	30	71	46	1	0	0	
6 Seward	Wassner	63	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	6	0	1	46	32	21	53	32	0	0	0	
7 Soldotna	Smith	145	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	6	0	1	55	33	30	63	49	0	0	0	
8 First Fairbanks	Whitwell	607	0	0	7	3	48	4	6	0	0	4	12	1	4	0	0	123	78	48	126	77	2	40	53	
9 Nome	Knight	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	538	313	246	559	244	3	85	78	
10 North Pole	Kerns	57	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	12	18	18	36	24	0	0	26	
11 Wasilla	Trichnor	193	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	6	1	0	2	181	114	78	192	92	0	0	91	
12 Willow	Edged	49	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	46	32	17	49	50	4	5	12	
13 Anchor Park	Campbell, John	188	15	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	4	4	4	0	0	132	108	97	205	190	4	42	86	
14 East Anchorage	Campbell, John	117	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	7	3	1	0	112	71	47	118	46	3	0	0	
15 First Anchorage	Lindsay-Higgins	323	14	9	11	4	16	0	4	0	0	2	0	1	18	53	0	246	183	156	339	169	16	87	93	
16 First Seward	Maria	50	8	6	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	45	45	35	80	100	3	70	12	
17 Jewel Lake	Stock	75	1	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	2	0	0	56	40	27	67	67	2	5	11	
18 Korean	Park	50	0	0	2	3	0	8	2	7	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	1	26	12	38	48	1	17	3	
19 Saint John	Beckett	718	51	1	16	1	29	13	2	0	4	0	0	2	7	3	0	727	433	310	743	471	24	180	535	
20 Turnagain	Campbell, James	106	7	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	1	3	2	4	0	101	67	47	114	72	4	3	64	
21 Chugach	Lambert	228	13	6	13	8	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	265	173	92	265	192	10	9	295	
22 Girard	Doepfen	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	53	30	24	54	83	0	42	19	
23 Unalaska	Kelley	36	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	15	10	25	41	3	12	22	
24 Douglas	Ramos	102	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	18	0	81	66	36	102	40	0	27	69	
25 Adersgate	Wanders	112	2	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	103	65	51	136	55	2	0	0	
26 Northern Light	Perry	125	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	32	0	0	93	80	50	130	81	5	3	0	
27 Keelikan	Ashworth	81	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	82	54	30	84	43	3	1	0	
28 Sika	Bassett	99	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	8	65	68	32	100	47	2	1	12	
2006 TOTAL		4,000	159	28	73	31	135	33	28	9	16	103	34	22	124	228	13	3,546	2,388	1,682	4,070	2,568	98	568	1,717	72
2005 TOTAL		4,045	143	65	75	20	196	40	80	10	22	103	40	19	112	184	11	3,531	2,354	1,646	4,000	2,536	98	728	1,246	65
INCREASE/DECREASE		(45)	16	(37)	(2)	(11)	(61)	(7)	(52)	(1)	(6)	0	(6)	3	12	44	2	15	34	36	70	(68)	0	(160)	469	7

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IDENTITY		CHURCH SCHOOL AND SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES																		
CHURCH	SENIOR PASTOR	Number of Leaders	Leaders in non-Sunday School	Children in All Classes and Groups	Children (0-6) non Sunday School	Youth (7-HS) in All Classes and Groups	Youth (7-HS) non Sunday School	Adults in All Classes and Groups	Adults (post HS) non Sunday School	Students in all Sunday church school groups	Students in all other groups	Total Church School Membership	Average Attendance in the Church School	Average Attendance in other ongoing classes and Groups	Average Attendance in other short-term classes and groups	Number of Christian formation groups (Children)	Number of Christian formation groups (Youth)	Number of Christian formation groups (Adults)	Total Christian formation groups	CS Members Joined Church on Profession
		15a	15b	16a	16b	17a	17b	18a	18b	15a-18a	15b-18b	19	20	21	22	23a	23b	23c	23	24
1 Homer	Lush	11	12	26	31	6	15	18	21	61	79	140	29	11	7	1	1	4	7	3
2 Kenai	Walters	0	0	0	8	0	10	10	10	10	28	38	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Moose Pass	Smith	2	11	9	0	8	0	8	8	19	19	38	10	0	9	1	1	1	2	0
4 Nikiski	Sikka	5	2	15	8	15	12	22	13	57	35	92	34	8	13	0	0	2	2	0
5 Nikilichik	Wasser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	0	0	0	0
6 Seward	Smith	4	4	14	6	6	15	10	7	34	25	59	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Soldotna	Whitsett	3	7	15	0	0	0	6	7	24	14	38	10	7	7	0	0	0	0	0
8 First Fairbanks	Teller	30	4	50	70	20	35	20	30	120	139	259	89	68	14	6	2	4	12	0
9 Nome	Knight	2	2	9	24	3	3	0	0	14	29	43	5	0	0	1	1	1	3	0
10 North Pole*	Karns	6	1	11	4	4	1	15	30	36	36	72	20	3	0	1	1	10	12	0
11 Wasilla	Tichenor	26	11	0	23	0	0	18	34	44	68	112	38	19	18	0	0	0	0	0
12 Willow	Eldred	4	0	6	5	9	9	10	8	29	22	51	16	0	12	4	2	6	2	0
13 Anchor Park	Campbell, John	48	40	60	30	15	15	32	80	155	165	320	88	63	97	1	3	9	13	19
14 East Anchorage	Campbell, John	6	2	13	0	2	0	16	5	37	7	44	30	0	5	0	0	1	1	0
15 First Anchorage	Lindsay-Hudgins	24	8	67	32	21	8	38	15	150	63	213	65	53	12	2	2	6	10	6
16 First Samogan	Maga	7	0	40	0	19	0	45	0	106	0	106	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17 Jewel Lake*	Shock	4	2	6	0	0	2	12	10	22	14	36	22	22	50	0	0	2	2	1
18 Korean	Park	5	0	5	0	12	5	0	13	22	18	40	42	35	10	0	0	0	0	0
19 Saint John	Beckett	201	25	330	120	237	95	194	375	962	615	1,577	176	145	360	2	3	17	22	51
20 Turnagain	Campbell, James	6	1	10	0	8	0	12	32	36	33	69	23	0	7	0	0	2	2	0
21 Chugiak	Lambert	15	12	77	14	20	46	32	63	144	136	279	64	97	26	0	2	0	2	9
22 Girwood	Doepken	7	5	22	4	16	0	12	11	57	20	77	22	6	9	0	0	4	4	0
23 Unalaska	Kelley	7	2	38	0	0	0	6	0	51	2	53	38	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
24 Douglas	Ramos	6	2	4	0	7	0	10	14	27	16	43	15	7	8	0	1	2	3	0
25 Adersgate	Wanders	8	2	14	0	6	0	11	31	39	33	72	13	0	7	0	0	1	1	1
26 Northern Light*	Perry	6	0	10	0	10	0	20	0	46	0	46	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27 Ketchikan	Asiworth	9	3	9	21	6	5	8	0	32	29	61	7	0	4	0	1	0	1	5
28 Sitka	Baggett	6	12	15	153	6	6	12	12	39	183	222	32	14	51	4	6	3	13	1
2006 TOTAL		458	170	875	553	456	282	589	822	2,373	1,827	4,200	992	590	742	23	26	69	118	96
2005 TOTAL		453	203	941	421	451	289	490	780	2,335	1,693	4,028	876	481	658	14	25	71	110	83
INCREASE/DECREASE		5	(33)	(66)	132	5	(7)	99	42	38	134	172	116	109	84	9	1	(2)	8	13

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IDENTITY		UMVIM		UMM		UMW		UMYF		WEEKDAY EVENTS		PROPERTY				
CHURCH	SENIOR PASTOR	Number of UMW/IM teams sent from this church	Number of church members participating in any UMW/IM	Membership in United Methodist Men	Amount Paid for Projects	Membership in United Methodist Women	Amount Paid for Local Church & Community Work	Membership in UMW Youth Fellowship	Amount Paid for Projects	Number of Weekday Ministry Programs	Number of Weekday Ministry Persons Served	Value of Church Land, Buildings, and Equipment	Value of Church Parsonage and Furniture	Value of Other Assets	Indebtedness on Items in 32, 33, & 34 on 31 Dec 04	Other Indebtedness
		25a	25b	26	27	28	29	30	31	32a	32b	33	34	35	36	37
1 Homer	Lush	0	0	0	0	26	500	7	556	4	155	1,077,600	151,000	350,000	35,000	0
2 Kenai	Walters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	933,750	150,000	15,000	0	0
3 Moose Pass	Smith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92,600	0	8,500	0	0
4 Nikiski	Skiba	0	0	0	0	12	0	12	7,500	0	0	992,700	187,600	3,000	5,600	0
5 Ninilchik	Wasser	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	52	365,600	202,500	16,600	0	4,422
6 Seward	Smith	0	4	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	787,000	243,000	50,000	0	0
7 Soldotna	Whetsell	0	0	8	0	24	750	0	0	4	96	1,203,600	286,790	65,173	0	0
8 First Fairbanks	Teller	0	0	0	0	15	0	35	6,500	0	0	2,804,125	0	122,650	0	0
9 Nome	Knight	0	0	0	0	16	3,000	0	0	1	12	0	2,000	0	8,245	0
10 North Pole*	Kams	0	0	24	0	38	0	5	0	2	15	680,000	0	43,350	116,300	0
11 Wasilla	Tichenor	0	0	0	0	20	1,511	0	0	0	0	810,560	573,500	54,500	0	0
12 Willow	Eldred	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	3	20	580,600	0	6,000	0	0
13 Anchor Park	Campbell, John	0	0	0	0	25	2,470	16	0	2	60	3,817,000	321,000	120,423	0	0
14 East Anchorage	Campbell, John	0	0	0	0	10	1,120	0	0	0	0	920,000	200,000	0	11,664	0
15 First Anchorage	Lindsay-Hudgins	0	0	0	0	46	6,400	0	0	0	0	5,500,000	0	123,685	0	0
16 First Samoan	Maga	0	0	20	0	40	0	25	0	0	0	550,000	1,000	0	485,000	0
17 Jewel Lake*	Shock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	98	276,000	10,450	34,260	0	0
18 Korean	Park	0	0	5	1,000	17	3,200	12	2,000	0	0	450,000	30,000	50,000	0	0
19 Saint John	Beckett	0	0	25	400	50	2,000	237	8,000	1	225	3,986,384	170,429	217,514	1,698,839	133,828
20 Turnagain	Campbell, James	0	0	0	0	7	3,020	8	3,688	0	0	1,513,820	8,500	188,186	0	0
21 Chugiak	Lambert	2	39	22	0	4	0	66	0	6	51	3,171,493	260,045	50,923	1,074,411	0
22 Girdwood	Doepken	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,100,000	5,000	56,000	515,000	0
23 Unalaska	Kelley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	44	820,000	425,000	0	0	0
24 Douglas	Ramos	0	0	8	0	14	3,591	7	0	9	453	907,400	366,300	248,167	5,500	0
25 Aldersgate	Wanders	1	13	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	66	1,635,000	370,000	80,000	233,000	0
26 Northern Light*	Perry	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	2,707,890	339,500	1,086,953	451,706	810
27 Ketchikan	Ashworth	0	0	0	0	12	1,000	4	0	0	0	900,000	350,000	0	134,774	0
28 Sitka	Baggett	0	0	0	0	22	650	0	0	0	0	1,372,900	312,000	6,500	24,900	0
2006 TOTAL		4	61	112	1,400	441	29,212	464	28,244	46	1,347	39,956,022	4,965,614	2,997,384	4,799,939	139,060
2005 TOTAL		3	47	118	2,095	415	28,211	419	28,142	68	1,318	35,517,312	4,402,284	2,007,739	4,659,167	146,274
INCREASE/(DECREASE)		1	14	(6)	(695)	26	1,001	45	102	(22)	29	4,438,710	563,330	989,645	140,772	(7,214)

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IDENTITY	NUMBER	BENEVOLENCES														CONNECTIONAL ADMINISTRATION		CONNECTIONAL CLERGY SUPPORT					
		World Service and Conference Benevolence Apportionment	World Service and Conference Benevolence Paid	Other General Conference Apportionments	Other General Conference Paid	General Advance Specials and World Service Gifts	Youth Service Fund	General Church Offerings	AMC Special Sunday Offerings	AMC Advance Specials	Higher Education	Health & Welfare Agencies	Other AMC Benevolences	Local Church Benevolences	Connectional Administration Apportionment	Connectional Administration Paid	Additional Clergy Pension Paid (Not Used in AMC after 1998)	Pension and Benefit Apportionment and Billing	Pension and Benefits Paid	Ministerial Support Apportionment & Move & Transfer Billing	Ministerial Support & Move & Transfer Paid		
1 Homer	90534-3	4,865	4,865	709	709	994	43	1,811	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,367	5,367	0	24,316	24,316	5,764	5,764		
2 Kona	90542-3	3,244	3,244	470	470	50	0	372	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,564	3,564	0	23,227	23,264	3,821	3,821		
3 Moose Pass	90546-7	441	441	64	64	35	0	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	463	463	0	335	335	520	520		
4 Neshk	90537-6	2,988	2,988	435	435	50	0	118	0	280	0	0	0	0	3,293	3,293	0	21,754	19,289	3,531	3,531		
5 Neshk	90543-4	1,489	1,622	216	235	1,125	0	164	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,534	1,788	0	2,038	2,353	1,753	1,931		
6 Seward	90570-7	2,903	2,903	421	421	180	0	270	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,189	3,189	0	11,966	11,966	3,420	3,420		
7 Seward	90545-6	4,593	4,593	667	667	1,592	0	0	0	235	0	2,300	0	4,401	5,046	5,046	0	24,278	22,548	5,411	5,411		
8 First Pentecosts	90530-8	15,728	15,728	2,282	2,282	1,300	0	1,249	0	1,000	0	0	0	11,930	17,273	17,273	0	33,091	33,091	18,523	18,523		
9 Nome	90562-7	1,706	0	247	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,873	0	0	21,079	14,807	2,009	0		
10 North Pole	90531-0	3,203	3,203	465	465	0	0	1,511	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,518	3,518	0	24,274	24,274	7,527	7,527		
11 Wasilla	90520-6	6,390	6,390	928	928	625	0	925	0	5	0	0	0	0	7,018	7,018	0	22,896	22,896	3,281	3,281		
12 Willow	90551-4	2,785	2,785	404	404	844	0	1,545	0	1,248	0	0	0	0	3,059	3,059	0	22,895	22,895	3,281	3,281		
13 Anchor Park	90514-8	9,937	9,937	1,443	1,443	2,216	0	3,610	0	950	0	0	0	33,984	10,914	10,914	0	35,787	35,787	11,705	11,705		
14 East Anchorage	90544-5	4,102	4,102	586	586	10	0	1,964	0	0	0	0	0	886	4,504	4,504	0	13,334	13,334	4,830	4,830		
15 East Anchorage	90510-4	11,498	11,498	1,668	1,668	3,227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,175	12,628	12,628	0	30,150	30,150	13,544	13,544		
16 First Simon	90554-7	673	321	88	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	739	353	0	7,216	244	793	379		
17 Jewell Lake	90511-5	2,688	2,688	390	390	952	0	1,213	0	25	0	0	0	1,133	2,853	2,853	0	25,018	25,018	3,167	3,175		
18 Koon	90509-2	2,691	2,691	434	434	156	0	4,274	0	5,194	0	0	0	0	3,265	1,179	0	2,311	829	3,522	1,264		
19 Saint John	90512-6	21,694	21,694	3,146	3,146	1,595	0	4,274	0	5,194	0	0	0	6,866	23,827	23,827	0	57,227	57,227	25,450	25,450		
20 Tunstun	90512-2	5,254	5,254	782	782	895	0	642	0	2,462	0	0	0	915	6,171	6,171	0	24,954	24,111	6,187	6,187		
21 Church	90518-3	7,427	7,427	1,078	1,078	335	0	1,454	0	3,001	0	0	0	444	8,157	8,157	0	26,568	26,240	8,748	8,748		
22 Church	90547-8	1,757	1,757	284	284	297	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	725	6,072	6,072	0	22,725	22,725	2,070	2,070		
23 Laisla	90543-6	3,343	3,343	485	485	297	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,870	3,870	0	15,080	13,895	3,937	3,937		
24 Dunbar	90528-3	5,016	5,016	728	728	1,637	0	913	0	340	0	0	0	2,501	5,810	5,810	0	28,755	26,027	5,908	5,908		
25 Advertiser	90521-7	4,078	1,858	553	603	5,139	0	1,288	0	697	0	0	0	12,828	4,480	780	0	18,202	15,947	4,804	804		
26 Northern Light	90536-7	7,589	7,589	1,103	1,103	0	0	828	0	0	0	0	0	920	40,206	8,346	0	2,826	0	8,951	8,951		
27 Kachikan	90530-5	3,861	2,105	531	0	815	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,022	386	0	2,826	0	4,313	386		
28 Seward	90519-2	3,384	3,384	484	484	0	0	828	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,862	3,862	0	22,867	22,867	3,927	3,927		
2006 TOTAL		145,415	136,229	21,101	20,035	24,031	140	25,258	0	15,307	0	3,075	4,964	126,857	159,714	146,764	0	536,263	513,520	171,278	151,399		
2005 TOTAL		142,894	122,058	20,308	18,030	122,492	320	16,578	0	14,566	0	2,353	23,066	132,125	175,137	153,816	0	552,451	499,379	180,439	170,559		
INCREASE/DECREASE		2,521	14,171	793	2,005	(19,461)	(180)	8,680	0	741	0	722	(18,102)	(5,268)	(15,423)	(17,052)	0	(16,188)	14,141	(19,161)	(13,220)		

Pastor/Parish/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total expenditures

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IDENTITY		CLERGY SUPPORT--LOCAL CHURCH					LOCAL CHURCH EXPENDITURES							UMW	TOTAL	APPORTIONMENTS	
		Base Compensation of Pastor in Charge	Associate Pastor(s)'s Base Compensation	Utility and Housing Allowances Paid	Reimbursements Paid to Clergy	Other Cash Allowance Paid	Diocesan Minister(s)'s & Deacon(s)'s Salary, Allowances, & Expenses	Other Staff Salaries, Wages, Allowances, & Expenses	Current Program Expense	Other Current Operating Expense	Loan Principal and Interest	Building and Grounds Improvements	UMW Paid to AMC UMW Treasurer	GRAND TOTAL PAID	Total Apportionments & Billings	Apportionments & Billings Paid	
CHURCH	NUMBER	34	65	56	67	38	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	AMC 1	AMC2	
1 Homer	90534-3	23,400	0	30,000	4,781	0	0	14,757	7,198	35,112	0	382,121	1,600	542,865	41,091	41,091	
2 Kenai	90542-3	31,659	0	3,669	0	0	0	0	3,619	23,347	0	0	0	97,079	34,326	34,363	
3 Moose Pass	90546-7	0	0	0	0	3,263	0	0	8,847	0	0	1,400	0	15,463	1,843	1,843	
4 Nikiski	90537-6	24,407	0	3,057	4,002	0	0	2,251	3,352	21,292	3,600	2,818	964	95,705	32,011	29,546	
5 Ninilchik	90543-4	10,303	0	0	0	1,200	0	0	0	8,899	0	0	0	29,637	7,131	7,949	
6 Seward	90570-7	19,272	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,569	10,130	0	1,771	0	60,071	21,899	21,899	
7 Soldotna	90545-6	38,500	0	5,044	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,021	2,038	95,253	39,995	38,265	
8 First Fairbanks	90530-8	31,765	0	35,688	3,828	0	0	114,468	15,804	72,919	0	0	0	376,846	86,895	86,895	
9 Nome	90562-7	848	0	15,006	0	0	0	0	372	30,469	0	0	0	61,502	26,914	14,807	
10 North Pole*	90531-0	16,789	0	11,500	1,150	0	0	9,790	750	19,432	13,855	0	0	85,736	10,959	10,959	
11 Wasilla	90520-6	45,601	0	3,335	4,351	10,765	0	18,318	1,312	11,436	0	0	675	143,485	46,137	46,137	
12 Willow	90551-4	30,339	0	13,200	3,711	0	0	0	1,594	15,574	0	0	0	102,424	32,425	32,425	
13 Anchor Park	90514-8	35,213	28,913	4,487	7,364	0	0	79,283	16,392	58,650	0	94,250	1,925	435,033	69,786	69,786	
14 East Anchorage	90544-5	27,587	9,812	3,853	2,888	0	0	0	2,645	38,645	6,589	0	0	122,055	27,366	27,366	
15 First Anchorage	90510-4	55,094	0	22,200	1,000	2,500	0	78,701	18,622	93,919	0	4,800	2,000	352,726	69,488	69,488	
16 First Samoan	90554-7	13,400	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	5,000	3,750	1,000	0	24,594	9,519	1,344	
17 Jewel Lake*	90511-5	24,654	0	4,456	2,750	0	0	9,846	3,569	20,162	0	0	0	103,103	34,216	34,224	
18 Korean	90509-2	24,000	0	19,200	3,911	3,350	0	0	2,743	6,609	0	0	0	64,759	12,543	4,501	
19 Saint John	90512-6	56,626	17,500	18,057	4,042	0	77,011	217,746	15,659	132,565	185,402	25,607	0	899,777	131,443	131,443	
20 Turnagain	90517-2	23,858	0	18,750	2,777	0	0	23,297	8,381	37,570	0	23,835	2,770	188,237	42,868	42,085	
21 Chugiak	90518-3	45,000	0	3,323	4,480	187	0	31,952	11,754	88,590	125,184	0	0	367,354	51,976	51,650	
22 Girdwood	90547-8	0	0	22,310	3,013	600	0	0	6,031	13,643	10,956	73,671	0	165,756	28,735	28,735	
23 Unalaska	90553-6	6,365	0	9,810	0	5,000	0	0	3,500	10,137	0	0	0	55,617	26,495	20,805	
24 Douglas	90528-3	33,238	0	6,200	1,493	0	0	24,601	5,378	32,873	220	2,915	2,834	158,332	39,927	43,189	
25 Aldersgate	90521-7	41,588	0	4,860	0	35	0	18,988	2,051	32,418	18,750	3,900	0	162,374	32,157	19,922	
26 Northern Light*	90538-7	20,638	0	14,033	1,868	0	0	31,549	3,842	9,338	34,023	28,004	1,000	211,420	25,999	25,999	
27 Ketchikan	90550-3	29,171	0	5,533	162	0	0	3,248	1,047	26,837	13,838	1,278	0	89,873	15,353	2,897	
28 Sitka	90513-7	24,135	0	5,551	0	0	0	1,290	2,221	36,480	24,900	26,678	100	156,454	34,274	34,274	
	2006 TOTAL	733,447	56,225	283,122	57,571	26,910	77,011	680,085	153,352	890,046	441,067	675,269	15,806	5,263,530	1,033,771	973,887	
	2005 TOTAL	891,897	55,520	211,678	62,200	9,511	68,989	642,246	157,766	868,047	753,065	410,669	15,803	5,419,853	1,081,189	963,842	
	INCREASE/(DECREASE)	(158,450)	705	71,444	(4,629)	17,399	8,022	37,839	(4,414)	21,999	(311,998)	264,600	303	(156,323)	(47,418)	10,045	

*Presbyterian/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total receipts

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2006 TABLE III

IDENTITY		ANNUAL OPERATING AND BENEVOLENCE BUDGET SOURCES									CAPITAL AND SPECIAL SOURCES				OUTSIDE LOCAL CHURCH SOURCES			
CHURCH	NUMBER	Number of Pledges and Identified Gives	Amount Received Through Pledges	Amount Received from Non-pledging, yet Identified Gives	Amount Received from Unidentified Gives	Amount Received from Interest and Dividends	Amount Received from Sale of Church Assets	Am't Recd. Through Building and Rentals	Amount Received through Fundraisers and Other Services	TOTAL	Capital Campaigns	Memorials, Endowments, & Bequests	Other Sources and Projects	TOTAL	Equitable Compensation Funds	Advance Specials or Apportioned Funds Received	Other	TOTAL
		1a	1b	1c	1d	1e	1f	1g	1		2a	2b	2c	2	3a	3b	3c	3
1 Homer	90534-3	46	91,500	18,000	9,019	0	0	19,084	1,300	138,903	94,556	0	0	94,556	0	0	0	1
2 Kenai	90542-3	17	68,446	32,529	2,284	669	0	660	1,271	105,859	1,000	1,150	0	2,150	0	8,593	0	8,593
3 Moose Pass	90546-7	13	0	9,909	586	0	0	288	0	10,783	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
4 Nikiski	90537-6	11	43,821	41,629	2,022	28	0	950	0	88,450	1,900	0	0	1,900	5,000	7,868	0	12,868
5 Ninichik	90543-4	38	0	28,855	3,686	85	0	2,072	1,070	35,768	0	0	0	0	2,400	192	0	2,592
6 Seward	90570-7	0	0	60,781	1,801	3,477	0	0	16,410	82,469	0	0	0	0	12,000	10,179	0	22,179
7 Soldotna	90545-6	115	44,270	51,286	13,352	719	0	525	0	110,152	0	7,090	0	7,090	0	4,500	0	4,500
8 First Fairbanks	90530-8	365	230,992	119,253	11,361	73	0	1,327	17,362	380,368	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
9 Nome	90562-7	0	0	29,379	1,925	0	0	4,493	1,596	37,393	0	0	0	0	20,000	24,486	4,595	49,081
10 North Pole*	90531-0	25	65,804	0	16,855	0	750	15	4,227	87,651	12,070	0	0	12,070	0	500	0	500
11 Wasilla	90520-6	92	111,527	51,740	0	4,498	0	100	10,140	178,005	3,350	400	0	3,750	0	50	0	50
12 Willow	90551-4	30	55,900	25,000	6,900	421	0	0	3,900	92,121	1,600	25	0	1,625	0	17,323	25,000	42,323
13 Anchor Park	90514-8	160	243,923	162,615	5,640	1,145	0	3,196	28,220	444,739	0	0	0	0	0	12,500	0	12,500
14 East Anchorage	90544-5	68	69,976	10,000	5,217	0	0	26,305	1,621	113,119	5,618	1,000	0	6,618	0	0	20,400	20,400
15 First Anchorage	90510-4	223	166,665	102,891	55,402	0	0	38,475	0	363,433	0	265	0	265	0	0	0	15
16 First Seward	90554-7	0	0	31,000	600	0	0	0	5,500	23,100	0	0	1,000	1,000	0	0	0	16
17 Jewel Lake*	90511-5	76	134,220	0	17,698	31,679	1,285	0	1,995	184,741	385,618	0	87	0	87	0	6,892	6,892
18 Korean	90509-2	0	0	109,790	500	0	0	0	0	110,290	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
19 Saint John	90512-6	227	665,323	96,581	19,580	4,524	0	24,208	28,686	838,902	16,392	1,680	0	18,072	0	725	3,361	4,086
20 Turnagain	90517-2	43	93,070	11,636	4,055	7,803	10,958	41,292	8,883	177,697	56,122	1,895	0	58,017	0	18,200	0	18,200
21 Chugiak	90518-3	165	164,878	49,248	10,410	197	0	9,105	4,949	238,787	126,011	1,200	0	127,211	0	3,020	0	3,020
22 Girwood	90547-8	39	40,012	14,900	4,465	621	0	200	0	60,198	48,227	200	272,000	320,427	0	63,437	0	63,437
23 Unalaska	90553-6	22	30,500	4,300	2,700	77	0	200	4,900	42,677	0	0	0	0	6,000	46,803	0	52,803
24 Douglas	90526-3	10	17,701	92,437	6,126	1,645	500	14,124	4,161	136,694	20,388	1,564	0	21,952	4,000	250	2,000	6,250
25 Aldersgate	90521-7	40	109,278	3,400	1,712	176	0	23,055	13,515	151,136	17,955	3,731	0	21,686	0	14,755	0	14,755
26 Northern Light*	90538-7	98	0	106,560	2,934	1,144	0	29,156	0	139,794	40,000	35,752	0	75,752	0	15,003	2,000	17,003
27 Ketchikan	90550-3	0	66,675	11,533	4,154	4	0	6,907	17,783	107,056	830	1,170	0	2,000	8,000	4,417	5,048	17,465
28 Sitka	90513-7	43	18,000	91,436	225	111	0	6,272	576	116,620	0	0	0	0	0	14,252	12,005	26,257
2006 TOTAL		1,966	2,532,481	1,384,386	225,190	28,702	12,208	254,004	360,811	4,797,782	446,019	57,209	273,000	776,228	57,400	273,945	74,409	405,754
2005 TOTAL		1,976	3,157,721	1,127,956	216,625	13,486	19,148	195,361	133,537	4,863,834	354,715	115,704	328,879	799,298	48,820	192,523	79,354	320,697
INCREASE/(DECREASE)		(10)	(625,240)	256,430	8,565	15,216	(6,940)	58,643	227,274	(66,052)	91,304	(58,495)	(55,879)	(23,070)	8,580	81,422	(4,945)	85,057

*Presbyterian/United Methodist United Churches reporting half of total receipts

CHURCH	GRADE FIGURE	WORLD SERVICE	CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCE	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND	BLACK COLLEGE FUND	AFRICA UNIVERSITY FUND	INTERDENOMINATIONAL COOPERATION FUND	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION FUND
Homer	0.034090	1,383	6,408	450	179	40	36	122
New Covenant	0.023623	959	4,440	312	124	27	25	84
Moose Pass	0.004317	175	811	57	23	5	4	15
North Star	0.018750	761	3,524	247	98	22	20	67
St. Peter	0.009388	381	1,765	124	49	11	10	34
Seward	0.018610	755	3,498	245	98	22	19	66
Soldotna	0.027498	1,116	5,169	363	144	32	29	98
First Fairbanks	0.106800	4,334	20,075	1,408	561	124	111	381
Nome	0.013667	555	2,569	180	72	16	14	49
New Hope	0.017639	712	3,297	231	92	20	18	63
Christ First Wasilla and Palmer	0.039559	1,605	7,436	522	208	46	41	141
Willow	0.020074	815	3,773	265	105	23	21	72
Anchor Park	0.065726	2,667	12,354	867	345	76	68	235
East Anchorage	0.028011	1,137	5,265	369	147	32	29	100
First Anchorage	0.082611	3,352	15,528	1,089	434	96	86	295
First Samoan	0.011490	466	2,160	162	60	13	12	41
Jewel Lake	0.019809	804	3,723	261	104	23	21	71
Korean	0.016359	664	3,075	216	86	19	17	58
Saint John	0.161721	6,560	30,400	2,133	850	187	170	579
Turnagain	0.032880	1,334	6,180	434	173	38	34	117
Chugiak	0.060311	2,447	11,337	795	317	70	63	215
Girdwood Chapel	0.013740	558	2,583	181	72	16	14	49
Unalaska	0.017736	720	3,334	234	93	21	18	63
Douglas	0.032772	1,330	6,160	432	172	38	34	117
Aldersgate	0.032153	1,305	6,044	424	169	37	34	115
Northern Light	0.043618	1,770	8,199	575	229	51	45	156
First Ketchikan	0.023945	972	4,501	316	126	28	25	86
Sitka	0.023205	942	4,362	306	122	27	24	83
CONFERENCE TOTAL	1.000000	40,579	187,970	13,188	5,252	1,160	1,042	3,572

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CHURCH	TOTAL APPOINTMENT									
	JURISDICTIONAL ADMINISTRATION FUND	CONFERENCE ADMINISTRATION FUND	EPISCOPAL AREA ADMINISTRATION FUND	CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT FUND	EPISCOPAL FUND	EQUITABLE COMPENSATION FUND	OTHER AREA AND JURISDICTIONAL CLERGY SUPPORT	OTHER CONFERENCE CLERGY SUPPORT FUND		
Homter	102	6,569	170	3,059	362	477	159	1,193	20,699	
New Covenant	71	4,546	118	2,120	251	331	110	827	14,344	
Moose Pass	13	831	22	387	46	60	20	151	2,620	
North Star	56	3,608	94	1,683	199	263	88	656	11,386	
St. Peter	28	1,806	47	843	100	131	44	329	5,702	
Seward	56	3,581	93	1,670	197	261	87	651	11,299	
Soldotna	82	5,291	137	2,468	282	385	129	962	16,697	
First Fairbanks	320	20,548	534	9,585	1,133	1,495	499	3,738	64,846	
Nome	41	2,630	68	1,227	145	191	64	478	8,299	
New Hope	53	3,374	88	1,574	186	246	82	614	10,650	
Christ First Wasilla and Palmer	119	7,611	198	3,550	420	554	185	1,386	24,021	
Willow	60	3,862	100	1,802	213	281	94	703	12,189	
Anchor Park	197	12,646	329	5,899	697	920	307	2,300	39,907	
East Anchorage	84	5,389	140	2,514	297	392	131	980	17,006	
First Anchorage	248	15,894	413	7,414	877	1,157	388	2,891	50,160	
First Seward	34	2,211	57	1,031	122	161	54	402	6,976	
Jewel Lake	59	3,811	99	1,778	210	277	93	693	12,027	
Korean	49	3,147	82	1,468	174	229	76	573	9,933	
Saint John	487	31,115	808	14,511	1,716	2,285	757	5,661	88,199	
Turnagain	99	6,326	164	2,951	349	460	154	1,151	19,964	
Chugiak	181	11,604	302	5,413	640	844	282	2,111	36,621	
Girdwood Chapel	41	2,644	69	1,233	146	192	64	481	8,343	
Unalaska	53	3,412	89	1,592	188	248	83	621	10,769	
Douglas	98	6,305	164	2,941	348	459	153	1,147	19,898	
Aldersgate	96	6,186	161	2,886	341	450	150	1,125	19,523	
Northern Light	131	8,392	218	3,915	463	611	204	1,527	26,486	
First Ketchikan	72	4,607	120	2,149	254	335	112	838	14,541	
Sitka	70	4,465	116	2,083	246	325	108	812	14,091	
CONFERENCE TOTAL	3,000	192,400	5,000	88,746	10,612	14,000	4,675	35,000	607,196	

C. 2008 Conference Budget

Connectional Clergy Support Fund	
Apportioned Pension & Benefit Funding	\$10,000
Conference Superintendent's Fund	129,246
Episcopal Fund	10,612
Episcopal Housing	4,000
Equitable Compensation Fund	75,000
Western Jurisdiction Korean Superintendent	675
Mission Aid Fund	25,000
Total Connectional Clergy Support Fund	\$254,533
Connectional Administration Fund	
Administrative Unit	\$2,250
Annual Sessions (Conference)	15,000
Area Expense Fund	5,000
Commission on Archives & History	3,600
Conference Center	106,590
Conference Secretary	150
Conference Journal	3,500
Conference Statistician	60
Council on Finance & Administration & Office of Conference Treasurer	30,000
Courtesy Committee	250
General Conference Administration	3,572
Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	1,042
Jurisdictional Administration	1,000
Lay Leader Expense	500
Professional Ministries Unit	11,500
Western Jurisdiction VIM Coordinator	2,000
Volunteers In Mission	2,000
Delegate Expense Fund	1,000
Quadrennial Training Travel	1,000
Property Repair & Maintenance Fund	10,000
Contingency Fund	5,000
Total Connectional Administration Fund	\$205,014
World Service & Conference Benevolence Fund	
World Service Fund	\$40,579
Connectional Ministries	87,520
Conference Coordinating Council	4,000
Campus Ministries	18,500
Communications	300
Native Ministries	5,000
New Ministries	24,700
Alaska Christian Conference	500
Council on Youth Ministries	8,000
Conference Outdoor Ministries	19,200
Conference Secretary of Global Ministries	700

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Coordinator of Disaster Preparedness	1,500
Regional Program Councils	18,050
Total World Service & Conference Benevolence Fund	\$228,549
Other General Conference Apportionments	
Ministerial Education Fund	\$13,188
Black College Fund	5,252
Africa University Fund	1,160
Total Other General Conference Apportionments	\$19,600
Total Conference Budget	\$707,696

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Expense Budget	
Connectional Clergy Support Fund	\$254,533
Connectional Administration Fund	205,014
World Service & Conference Benevolence	228,549
Other General Conference Apportionments	19,600
Total Conference Expense Budget	\$707,696
Anticipated Income Budget	
Apportionments	\$607,196
Parish Assistance Grants	23,000
Parish Partner's Fund	10,000
Rental Income	39,500
Church & Community Worker	10,000
Investment Income	15,000
Other Income	3,000
Total Anticipated Income Budget	\$707,696

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E. Pastor's Salaries, Allowances and Benefits – 2007

Church	Salary	Cont. Ed.	Prof. Exp.	Travel	Housing & Util.
Aldersgate	42,000	1500(v)	-	2000(v)	pars/util
Anchor Park & East Anchorage					
Senior Pastor	49,000	1550(v)	1800(v)	2500(v)	pars/util
Associate	43,333	1550(v)	1800(v)	-	pars/util
Anchorage Korean	12,000	-	-	-	pars/util
Christ First	43,760	1000(v)	-	3200(v)	pars/util
Community (Nome)	48,830	1000(v)	2000(v)	-	pars/util
Douglas	38,690	500(v)	-	1000(v)	pars/util
First Anchorage	58,400	1000(v)	-	2800	21,600
First Fairbanks	35,300	1000(v)	3000(v)	3600(v)	35,542
First Ketchikan	42,690	1000(v)	55(v)	1500(v)	pars/util
First Samoan	15,000	-	-	-	pars/util
Girdwood Chapel	38,290	1500(v)	1700(v)	2500(v)	22,310
Homer	24,051	-	5500(v)	-	30,632
Jewel Lake Parish	50,022	1000(v)	115(v)	1700(v)	pars/util
New Hope M/P *	33,077	1,000(v)	1,200(v)		23,000
North Star	37,290	1000(v)	-	3500(v)	pars/util
Northern Light					
Seward	38,590	-	-	-	pars/util
Moose Pass	-	-	-	3600(v)	-
Soldotna	43,000	1000(v)	-	2000(v)	pars/util
St. John					
Senior Pastor	60,000	1500(v)	1000(v)	2300(v)	pars/util
Associate Pastor	36,750	400(v)	500 (v)	1000(v)	20,840
St. Peter/Fisherman	13,200	1000(v)	-	1200(v)	pars/util
Turnagain	41,600	1000(v)	700(v)	2500(v)	18,750
Unalaska	47,740	1000(v)	500(v)	4000(v)	pars/util
UMC of Chugiak	46,350	1000(v)	2400(v)	-	pars/util
UMC/New Covenant	41,090	1200(v)	400(v)	500(v)	pars/util
UMC of Sitka	40,787	-	2000(v)	-	pars/util
Willow	41,690	2400(v)	200(v)	3600(v)	13,200
* - 2005 numbers					
v=vouchered					

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XII. Rules of Order

DIVISION 1 . . . ORGANIZATION OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

R1.00 . . . CONVENING: The Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC) shall convene its annual conference on the date set by the Presiding Bishop of the area as provided in the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2004, ¶603.2).

R1.05 . . . PLANNING COMMITTEE: The annual conference Planning Committee (AMPC) shall plan the annual conference. (See R5.1002 for the composition and duties of this committee.)

DIVISION 2 . . . MEMBERSHIP

R2.00 . . . CATEGORIES: The categories of clergy membership in the AMC shall be:

AFFILIATE: Ordained United Methodist clergy appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve United Methodist Churches and/or ecumenical agencies and ecumenical shared ministries within the boundaries of the AMC shall have affiliate status and full voting rights as provided in the Book of Discipline, ¶586.4. This category does not include those serving in the category of Indigenous.

COLLEGIAL: Ordained clergy of other denominations who meet disciplinary requirements (Disc., 2004, ¶346.2) and who are appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the area to serve in United Methodist Churches or ecumenical shared ministries or are hired by ecumenical agencies shall have the right of participation as defined in the Book of Discipline. Collegial means in association with the AMC.

INDIGENOUS: Indigenous persons in the Alaska Missionary Conference who have been ordained by a United Methodist bishop, or who have been ordained by another church in ministerial communion with The United Methodist Church when the orders of such a person are recognized and accepted by the Presiding Bishop, who apply for membership and who are accepted for membership by the bishop shall be clergy members in full connection of the Alaska Missionary Conference.

As provided in ¶588 of the 2004 Book of Discipline, any other portion of the Discipline notwithstanding, there shall be a Council of Native Elders (the Council). The Council shall have the right to recommend to the bishop Alaska indigenous persons as candidates for ordination as elders and deacons. The bishop, in consultation with the AMC Superintendent, shall have the authority to act on the recommendation. The bishop may appoint indigenous persons to be members of the Council. Candidates for ordination approved through this process shall be ordained by the bishop at an ordination service during the time of the annual conference of the AMC.

R2.01 . . . COVENANT STATEMENT: The Alaska Missionary Conference at its 1996 annual conference established the right of full ministerial membership. As we enter this time of transition toward conference membership, it is important as persons, lay and clergy of the AMC in this conference, to affirm what it means to be the Alaska Missionary Conference of The United Methodist Church. As persons fully aware of the expanded opportunities for ministry in the Alaska Missionary Conference, and with the knowledge that because of that opportunity we will become a different body, some of whom will be full members and others who will be affiliate members of the Alaska Missionary Conference, we covenant together to

- pray for the well-being of each person and their ministry and pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this emerging conference and its leaders
- recognize the unique nature of our conference and to work against any process or perception that would unnecessarily highlight the differentiation between the members and the affiliates and thus fragment our community.
- acknowledge and respect the theological, cultural, professional and gender diversity that we represent, by modeling inclusiveness at all levels, conscientiously respecting professional boundaries both in our personal lives and in our corporate life together and actively upholding and affirming each other's ministries.
- participate, to the best of our ability, in conference activities so that our connections with each other will be strengthened through genuine support and accountability.
- be assertive when we feel we have been wronged, stay in dialogue when disagreements arise, utilize the process set forth in our Discipline, recognize and adhere to the lines of authority expressed therein and strive to be fair and kind in our speech and our process

• actively welcome and encourage new members, both temporary and permanent, while respecting and listening to the insights and experience of our established members. "Support without accountability promotes moral weakness; accountability without support is a form of cruelty." (2004 Discipline, ¶ 101: "General Rules and Social Principles")

We the people of God called United Methodist, in ministry in the Alaska Missionary Conference, grounded in the creative power of the living Word, and immersed in the grace of God through Jesus the Christ, commit ourselves to this covenant. May we truly be to each other and to the world the body of Christ.

R2.03...SUPERINTENDENCY: If the presiding bishop appoints more than one person to superintend the work of the Church in the AMC, then there shall be formed a Superintending Team (Team). The Team shall consist of those persons appointed by the bishop to superintend the Church in the AMC. The Team shall form its own organization and shall choose for itself, under the supervision of the bishop, how it shall divide the work of superintending. However, each church in the AMC will receive clear and prompt information about which member of the Team is to be that church's primary contact among the Team members for advice and assistance as required.

The Team will choose for itself which member shall perform the superintending functions specified in these rules, and on any body of the AMC which requires membership of the AMC superintendent, any one or more members of the Team may represent the Team. However, if more than one Team member attends a meeting of such a body, then only one will be empowered with vote on those bodies on which the superintendent has a vote. In the interest of continuity and order the Team is encouraged to maintain consistent representation on each AMC body providing for membership of a superintendent.

R2.04...SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPENSATION: If one person is appointed to be the Superintendent of the AMC, then the Superintendent's salary will be established by the Professional Ministries Unit at 150% of the Conference Average Compensation (CAC) for the most recent year for which information is available from the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits if no parsonage is provided to the Superintendent. If a parsonage is provided, then the Superintendent's salary will be 120% of the CAC. In any event, the Superintendent will be provided with an additional allowance of four percent (4%) of compensation per year for utility expenses. These amounts will be computed at such time as to be included in the budget recommendation the Council on Finance and Administration presents to the AMC for establishing the conference budget for the succeeding calendar year, and the Superintendent's compensation will not be changed at any other time.

R2.05 . . . INSTITUTION AND AGENCY MEMBERS: Institutions and agencies related to the AMC and/or the GBGM shall be fully franchised in the AMC and shall be allowed two (2) voting members (one lay person and one clergy), both of whom shall be members of The United Methodist Church in accordance with constitutional requirements (Disc., 2004, ¶586.5). Institutions and agencies currently related to the AMC are:

Alaska Children's Services, Inc.

Alaska Pacific University

Nome Community Center

United Campus Ministry, Inc. Fairbanks

University Community Ministry, Anchorage

Wesley Rehabilitation Center of Seward

R2.10 . . . LAY MEMBERSHIP FROM CHURCHES: The charge conference of each charge shall elect a lay member and one (1) or more alternate members of the AMC quadrennially at the charge conference following the quadrennial meeting of the General Conference. Lay members whose terms would otherwise expire at the end of 2003 will, with the enactment of this rule, have their terms extended through 31 December 2004. Each charge served by more than one clergy shall be entitled to as many lay members as there are clergy.

Each congregation of a charge shall be entitled to lay representation, provided there are not more than two (2) lay members from each congregation.

R2.15 . . . LAY MEMBERS AT LARGE: The AMC lay leader, the president of United Methodist Women (UMW), president or one of the members of the Conference Council of Youth Ministry (CCYM), diaconal ministers serving in the AMC, and the active deaconesses under episcopal appointment within the bounds of the AMC shall be members of the AMC provided that they have been members of The United Methodist Church for at least two (2) years (Disc., 2004, ¶32).

R2.20 . . . NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION: Non-members of the AMC having membership on one of its agencies, units, councils, committees, task forces, or societies shall be entitled to the privilege of the floor, without vote, on matters relating to the report of said unit, council, committee, task force, or society. In addition the following persons shall have the privilege of the floor without vote:

Lay home missionaries related to the GBGM

Other missionaries serving within the bounds of the AMC

A CCYM representative from each region

A representative of a fellowship meeting regularly and authorized by the AMC

Superintendent

The AMC may authorize national workers, pastors of ecumenical parishes, official visitors of other denominations, and ordained United Methodist clergy who are not otherwise members of the AMC to be accorded the same privilege.

R2.25 . . . EQUAL MEMBERSHIP: In order to achieve equality of lay and clergy membership at the annual conference, the Presiding Bishop and AMC Superintendent may appoint a committee each year to select lay persons to equalize membership (Disc., 2004, ¶32).

DIVISION 3 . . . ATTENDANCE

R3.00 . . . ATTENDANCE: Clergy members, lay members, and missionaries are expected to attend the annual conference sessions on a full-time basis unless excused by the AMC superintendent.

R3.05 . . . REIMBURSEMENT: Reimbursement for approved expenses as defined by the Council on Finance and Administration will be paid for clergy members, lay members, local pastors, home missionaries, diaconal ministers, deaconesses, the AMC secretary, the statistician, the treasurer, the historian, the chancellor, the chairperson of the CFA, and AMC staff personnel as approved by the AMC Superintendent.

DIVISION 4 . . . OFFICERS OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

R4.00 . . . NUMBER, NAME, AND MANNER OF ELECTION: The officers of the AMC shall be:

President: The Presiding Bishop of the Area presides at all sessions of the AMC.

Secretary: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected at the first session of the AMC following the general conference, the Secretary serves for a quadrennium and keeps the minutes of all sessions of the AMC and edits the journal of the AMC.

Statistician: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected at the first session of the AMC following the General Conference, the Statistician serves for a quadrennium and keeps the statistical record of the AMC.

Treasurer: Nominated by CFA with the confirmation by the AMC at its next session, the Treasurer manages the financial office of the AMC and provides reports of financial operation.

Conference Coordinating Council Chairperson: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations at the annual conference following General Conference. Shall serve for the quadrennium.

Historian: Nominated by the Committee on Nominations, the Historian keeps the historical record of the AMC.

Chancellor: Nominated by the Presiding Bishop of the Area with the concurrence of the AMC, the Chancellor serves as general counsel on legal matters for the AMC.

Assistant Secretary(ies) and Statistician(s): Nominated annually by the Secretary and Statistician respectively, or appointed ad interim with concurrence of the AMC at its opening session, the assistants provide assistance in the recording of the minutes and tabulation of statistics of the AMC.

DIVISION 5 . . . STANDING COMMITTEES, UNITS, AND COUNCILS OF THE ALASKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

R5.00 . . . NAME AND NUMBER: The standing committees, units, and councils of the AMC shall be:

Administrative Unit
Alaska Christian Conference Delegation
Annual Meeting Planning Committee
Commission on Archives and History
Committee on Communications
Committee on Mission Personnel
Committee on Nominations
Conference Coordinating Council
Conference Council on Youth Ministry
Continuing Consultation with the General Board of Global Ministries
Council on Finance and Administration
Courtesy Committee
Joint Missionary Conference Consultation Committee
Native Ministry Committee
New Ministries Committee
Outdoor Ministries Committee
Professional Ministry Unit
Board of Laity
Regional Program Councils for Southeast, Northern, Southcentral, and Kenai Peninsula Regions.

R5.0100...In order to ensure compliance with the United Methodist Book of Discipline, the function of each annual conference agency specified in the Discipline shall be filled by an AMC agency as indicated herein following. By a method to be selected by the conference agency to which responsibility for the area of ministry is herein assigned, the agency shall select a member to bear principal responsibility for that ministry. Between sessions of the Annual Conference the CCC shall have authority to make changes in these assignments to optimize our connections to the general church.

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Committee on Nominations¶603.9.a
Council on Finance and Administration¶610

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Board of Church and Society¶628

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Board of Global Ministries¶632
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Council on Finance and Administration
R5.1009

Administrative Unit R5.1000
Southcentral Regional Program Council
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Southcentral Regional Program Council
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Commission on Archives and History¶640	Commission on Archives and History R5.1003
Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns¶641	Alaska Christian Conference Delegation R5.1001
Commission on Religion and Race¶642	Southcentral Regional Program Council R5.1016
Commission on the Status and Role of Women¶643	Southeast Regional Program Council R5.1016
Commission on the Small Membership Kenai Church¶644	Regional Program Council R5.1016
Commission on Communications¶645	Committee on Communications R5.1004
Council on Youth Ministry¶648	Council on Youth Ministry R5.1007
Committee on Disability Concerns¶652	Administrative Unit R5.1000
Committee on Native American Ministry¶653	Native Ministries Committee R5.1012

R5.0500 . . . PLENARY POWER: All standing committees, units, and councils shall have plenary power in the interim between sessions of the AMC.

R5.0501 . . . COMPOSITION: The Committee on Nominations in forwarding nominations to the AMC for standing committees, units, and councils shall strive for balance with regard to ethnicity, gender, and region in their membership. In addition, to ensure the voice of youth and young adults is heard in the decision making processes of the AMC, prior to beginning its deliberations the Committee will solicit from the pastor of each church in the conference the names of people in those categories who should be considered for service.

R5.0502 . . . TENURE: No person shall serve on any standing committee, council, or unit of the AMC (whose members are elected by the AMC) more than eight (8) years, consecutively, and chairpersons shall not serve more than four (4) years, consecutively, with the following exceptions:

- Service of one (1) or two (2) years to fill a vacant position on a quadrennially elected standing committee shall not be counted for the purpose of this rule.

- In the case of committees elected in other term classes, the maximum period of service shall be two (2) terms, with the provision that a one (1) year filling of a vacancy prior to the first term shall not count for the purpose of this rule.

- Exofficio members who serve by virtue of their office, including members of the CCC, shall not be affected by this rule.

R5.0503 . . . ORGANIZATION: Standing committees, units, and councils shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and secretary except Administrative Unit, Commission on Archives and History, Conference Coordinating Council, Native Ministry Committee, New Ministries Committee, Council on Finance and Administration, and Outdoor Ministries Committee.

R5.0504 . . . VACANCIES: Vacancies that occur between sessions of the Annual Conference will be filled by the procedure provided in the Book of Discipline when such a procedure is provided, as in the case of the Board of Trustees. When a procedure is not provided in the Book of Discipline, then the AMC Superintendent will recommend to the Committee on Nominations a person to fill the remainder of the unexpired term, and the Committee on Nominations shall make the selection by majority vote. The person so selected will serve until the term for which he or she was selected expires, at which time the normal election procedure will be followed.

R5.10 . . . DEFINITION AND DESCRIPTION**R5.1000 . . . ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT**

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Administrative Unit is to serve in the AMC as the Board of Trustees (§2512), the Commission on Equitable Compensation (§624), the Board of Pensions (§638), the District Board of Church Location and Building (§2518), the AMC Foundation Committee (§612.16), and the Rules Committee.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION... There shall be twelve (12) members, and it is recommended that one-third be clergy, one third laywomen, and one-third laymen, in accordance with the provisions of §2512.1. Among the twelve members, the AMC Superintendent and the AMC Treasurer shall serve as full voting members, except that if the Treasurer is a member of the paid staff of the AMC, the Treasurer shall serve as a member without vote. The members shall elect their own officers in accordance with §2512.2, and those persons elected to be officers of the Board of Trustees shall be the officers of the Administrative Unit.

MEETINGS . . . The Administrative Unit shall meet at least two (2) times per year.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

To fulfill the requirements of the United Methodist Discipline and the Rules of the AMC related to equitable compensation, property and associated matters, pensions and benefits, church location and building, and AMC rules of order.

To oversee the management and affairs of the Alaska United Methodist Foundation, convened for that purpose as the AMC Board of Trustees which shall also serve as the AMC Foundation Committee.

To propose to the AMC such amendments (if any) to the AMC rules of order as may be necessary to keep the rules up-to-date with the practice and operation of the AMC.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The Administrative Unit shall be accountable to the AMC and shall be linked to the Conference Coordinating Council through its chair who shall be a CCC member.

R5.1001 . . . ALASKA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE DELEGATION

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Conference is to clarify and strengthen our witness to Christ as Lord of the church and world by:

- A. Acknowledging Christ's Lordship in worship, word, and action.
- B. Attempting to apply more effectively the substance and insights of the Christian Gospel to the structures and institutions of this state, reminding all that every structure exists to serve humanity and is accountable to God.
- C. Providing means of cooperation and communication with agencies and movements which further the common purpose of the members of the Conference.
- D. Providing forums and places of communication and sharing work of the churches as a means whereby duplication of offices and efforts may be lessened.
- E. Doing together all things save those which we must in conscience and obedience do separately.

F. Promoting the spirit of ecumenism, cultivation of inter-church fellowship in communities throughout the state, and fostering dialogue in the realm of faith and order.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . Each member ecclesiastical unit shall be entitled to five (5) representatives (executive, clergy, layman, laywoman, and youth under 21 years of age) in the Assembly plus one (1) additional person for each 1,000 confirmed or adult members or major fraction thereof. At least one-half (1/2) of the elected representatives of each member unit shall be lay persons.

There shall be an Executive Board composed of:

1. One administrator of each member ecclesiastical unit.
2. The officers of the Assembly.
3. One lay representative of each member ecclesiastical body.

Delegates of the AMC to the ACC who serve by virtue of their office shall serve during the term of their effective appointment. Other delegates shall serve for a two-year period and shall be elected at the annual conference preceding the meeting of the ACC Assembly.

MEETINGS . . . A biennial meeting of the Assembly shall be held at a time and place set by the ACC Executive Board. The Executive Board shall meet at least semi-annually. Special sessions may be called.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The duties and responsibilities are such as shall enhance the purpose of the ACC. Those elected by the Alaska Missionary Conference shall be expected to attend the biennial assembly.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . . The autonomy and integrity of each ecclesiastical unit will be respected at all times. A report shall be made to the annual conference of the AMC immediately following each biennial Assembly.

R5.1002 . . . ANNUAL CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE (AMPC)

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Annual Conference Planning Committee is to oversee the planning of the annual conference of the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The members of the AMPC shall be the Bishop of the area, the AMC Superintendent, the AMC Director of Connectional Ministries, the Conference Secretary, the AMC-UMW President or representative, the AMC-UMM President or representative, the AMC Lay Leader, the Chair for Worship (appointed by the AMPC), and the Pastor and Lay Leader of the host church or charge. In the event that a church-related institution is host, representatives of the host agency shall be added to the committee, together with such Pastor(s) as the AMC shall appoint.

The AMC Superintendent shall convene the AMPC.

The AMPC shall be appointed annually.

MEETINGS . . . Meetings shall be called as needed to plan the annual conference.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The AMPC is responsible for planning the annual conference, its budget, sessions, local arrangements, and any other concerns as needed.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The AMPC is directly amenable to the AMC and the Presiding Bishop.

R5.1003 . . . COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

PURPOSE . . . The Commission on Archives and History shall retain, share and interpret the history of the Alaska Missionary Conference. It shall work diligently to interest the present members of the Conference and others throughout The United Methodist Church in the history of the Alaska Missionary Conference.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . the Committee on Nominations shall nominate a Chair and five members, at least two clergy and two lay, to serve for a quadrennium. The Committee on Nominations shall nominate a conference historian and at least one and no more than two conference archivists. These persons shall serve as ex-officio members of the Commission and will be included in the total of six members of the Commission. The archivist shall be responsible for maintaining a catalogue of the location and content of all items stored for present and future use. The historian shall be available to assist local churches in planning historical observances, be available to assist the AMC in celebrating periodic historical occasions and interpret to the conference the work and mission of the United Methodist Commission on Archives and History.

MEETINGS . . . The Commission shall meet at least twice a year by tele-conference. Other meetings will be scheduled as funds are available.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The Commission shall collect historical books, documents, journals, photographs, video and audio tapes containing important historical data and carry out the best means possible of preserving the historical record, both past and

present, of the Alaska Missionary Conference. It shall transmit items to the United Methodist Archives as are of general church interest.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . . The Commission on Archives and History shall be accountable to the Alaska Missionary Conference and shall send a written report to the AMC. It shall send a written report to the Conference Coordinating Council at its annual meeting. The AMC Superintendent shall be the staff contact.

R5.1004 . . . COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Committee on Communications is to encourage and facilitate communication within the churches and agencies of the AMC and with the general United Methodist Church.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . A communications coordinator shall be nominated quadrennially by the Committee on Nominations. That person shall serve on the Committee on Communications with as many others as are necessary to do the work.

MEETINGS . . . The committee shall meet informally as needed.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . (see purpose)

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . Directly accountable to the AMC through the nomination process.

R5.1005 . . . COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS (CON)

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of CON is to select persons to place in nomination before the AMC to fill such vacancies as there may be in the organization of the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the CON shall be nominated from the floor at the first session of the AMC following the general conference. The members shall serve for the succeeding quadrennium. Eight (8) persons shall be elected from the nominees: four (4) clergy and four (4) lay persons. The AMC Superintendent and the AMC Lay Leader shall also serve on the CON.

MEETINGS . . . Meetings are held at least annually at annual conference and at such other times as may be considered necessary to do the business of the committee.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . (spelled out in PURPOSE)

To nominate the chairpersons of the following Conference Committees: Administrative Unit, New Ministries, Native Ministries, Outdoor Ministries, and Conference Coordinating Council. All other officers shall be elected by the committees, units, or council themselves.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . . The CON is directly accountable to the AMC through its nomination of the committee from the floor.

R5.1006 . . . CONFERENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL (CCC)

PURPOSE . . . The CCC shall coordinate the work of the Regional Program Councils (RPC) and working units, supervising the implementation of the AMC priority strategies and guiding the AMC concerning ongoing strategic planning of program ministry. The CCC will also be the arena for addressing general church and conference themes and issues.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . It is recommended that the membership of the CCC should be comprised of approximately 50% laity and 50% clergy. The following are members of the CCC:

- The Presiding Bishop of the Area
- The AMC Superintendent
- The AMC Director of Connectional Ministries
- The AMC Lay Leader
- The Chairperson of the Conference Coordinating Council
- The AMC-UMW President or representatives
- The AMC-UMM President or representative

The Conference Council on Youth Ministry President or representative
 The CF&A President or elected representative
 The Professional Ministry Unit Chair or elected representative
 The Administrative Unit Chair or elected representative
 The Native Ministry Committee Chair or an elected representative
 The New Ministries Committee Chair or an elected representative
 The Outdoor Ministries Chair or an elected representative
 The four (4) Regional Program Council chairs or their elected representatives
 The Chairperson of the Conference Commission on Archives and History or their elected representative
 Any UMC member in the AMC who serves as a director of any UM general agency
 A representative of the Board of Global Ministries (exofficio without vote)
 The AMC Treasurer (exofficio without vote unless the treasurer serves as a volunteer not hired by the AMC)

The CCC shall elect its own leaders according to R5.0503 except for the Chairperson. The Chairperson shall be elected quadrennially by the AMC at the annual conference following the General Conference and shall be an officer of the AMC.

MEETINGS . . . The CCC shall meet at least twice (2 times) during the conference year.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .

1. Coordinate and oversee the administrative functions necessary to ensure that the Regional Program Councils will be able to carry out the ministry of the AMC
2. Coordinate the work of the working units and councils
3. Supervise the implementation of priority strategies
4. Guide the AMC in ongoing strategic planning of program ministry
5. Serve as the arena for addressing, discussing, and implementing action concerning AMC and general church issues and themes
6. Work with the Director of Connectional Ministries in implementing program ministry

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . Because the CCC membership comes from the administration, standing committees, units, and councils of the AMC, the accountability and linkage shall be through its members and their representatives.

R5.1007 . . . CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON YOUTH MINISTRY (CCYM)

PURPOSE . . . To empower youth in their relationship with the Spirit of God as revealed in Jesus Christ, strengthening youth ministry in the local churches and organizations of the AMC, and facilitating the youths' own efforts to invite others into relationship as disciples of Christ.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The recommended membership of the CCYM is two (2) youth representatives and one (1) adult regional advisor from each of the four regions of the Conference. The youth representatives shall elect a President from within their body who has full voting rights in the AMC. In addition, CCYM regional youth representatives or designated alternates will have privilege of the floor without vote.

MEETINGS . . . It is recommended that the CCYM have an annual meeting.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The duties of the CCYM shall be:

To initiate and support plans and activities and projects that are of particular interest to youth.

To be an advocate for the free expression of the convictions of youth on issues vital to them.

To support and facilitate, where deemed necessary, the formation of youth caucuses.

To cooperate with the boards and agencies of the AMC, receiving recommendations from and making recommendations to the same.

To elect and certify AMC representatives to the Western Jurisdictional Youth Ministry Convocation and the United Methodist Youth Organization.

To receive and set the policy and criteria for its portion of the Youth Service Fund, establish the policy for YSF education, and be responsible for YSF promotion throughout the AMC.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The CCYM is linked by its President or other elected representative to the CCC. The CCYM is responsible to the CF&A for its operational budget and expenditures. The CCYM will make a yearly report of its efforts to the annual conference of the AMC.

R5.1008 . . . CONTINUING CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

PURPOSE . . . The Continuing Consultation Committee monitors the relationship between the AMC and the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM).

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the Continuing Consultation Committee is:

The Presiding Bishop of the Area

The AMC Superintendent

Four (4) persons elected from the membership of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation by the AMC, including in their membership at least one (1) lay person, an ordained clergy, and a woman.

Alternates for those who cannot attend meetings will be selected by the Presiding Bishop of the Area and the AMC Superintendent from members of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation.

The membership of the Continuing Consultation Committee shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the AMC each quadrennium at the meeting immediately following the General Conference. The membership from the GBGM shall include the liaison staff person to the AMC and any other persons deemed appropriate by the General Secretary of the GBGM.

MEETINGS . . . The Continuing Consultation Committee shall meet at least once (1 time) per year. Expenses for any meeting are the responsibility of the GBGM.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The duties and responsibilities shall include but not be limited to:

Development of working personnel policies between GBGM and AMC.

Development of working policies relating to land and property issues between GBGM and AMC.

Interpretation of the 2004 Disc., ¶558 as it relates to AMC/GBGM.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . . The Continuing Consultation Committee will link any appropriate policy changes to the appropriate committees. A report will be made at each annual conference of any policy changes or revisions.

R5.1009 . . . COUNCIL ON FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION (CFA)

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the CFA is to develop, maintain, and administer a comprehensive and coordinated plan of fiscal and administrative policies, procedures, and management services for the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of CFA shall be:
Nine (9) persons --- five (5) lay persons and four (4) clergy. AMC Treasurer (exofficio without vote) --- shall serve as Treasurer of the CFA.

Any member of the General Council on Finance and Administration (exofficio with vote providing their membership is not in conflict with any other provision of the Book of Discipline, in which case it shall be without vote). GCFA members cannot serve on an agency receiving funding from the CFA.

The Presiding Bishop of the Area (exofficio without vote)

The AMC Superintendent (exofficio without vote)

The Director of Connectional Ministries (exofficio without vote)

The CFA shall elect its own leaders according to R5.0503.

MEETINGS . . . The CFA shall meet at least two times per year.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . .

To fulfill the duties and responsibilities as required in The Book of Discipline, 2004, ¶¶612-617 and the AMC Rules.

To develop, maintain, and administer fiscal and administrative policies and procedures for the AMC.

To cooperate with the Administrative Unit in providing management services for the AMC.

To provide for and administer the financial developments of the AMC in cooperation with the Administrative Unit.

To develop and manage the yearly budget of the AMC.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGES . . . The CFA President is a member of the CCC.

R5.1010 . . . COURTESY COMMITTEE

PURPOSE . . . The Courtesy Committee provides acts and/or tokens of courtesy and appreciation at the AMC annual conference.

MEMBERSHIP . . . The Presiding Bishop of the Area shall appoint one (1) clergy and one (1) lay person to be the Courtesy Committee for the quadrennium.

MEETINGS . . . The Courtesy Committee shall meet in consultation with the AMC Superintendent and/or Director of Connectional Ministries before the annual conference and as needed during the annual conference.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To make a public presentation of gratitude for persons and/or groups who have assisted in the annual conference experience or in the life of the AMC.

To present an itemized list of expenses to the Annual Conference Planning Committee at the conclusion of their work.

To request a special solicitation of funds from the AMC members to cover specific expenses before they are incurred (i.e. gifts).

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The Courtesy Committee is accountable to the AMPC through the AMC Superintendent.

R5.1011 . . . JOINT MISSIONARY CONFERENCE CONSULTATION

PURPOSE . . . The Joint Missionary Conference Consultation serves as a link between all of the Missionary Conferences and the General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM).

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership shall be:

The Presiding Bishop of the Area

The AMC Superintendent

President, United Methodist Women

Lay Leader, Alaska Missionary Conference

A group of six (6) additional persons whose recommended composition shall be at least two (2) clergy, two (2) lay persons, and two (2) women nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by the AMC each quadrennium at the annual conference immediately following General Conference.

MEETINGS . . . Meetings of the Joint Missionary Conference Consultation are called at the discretion of the GBGM. The GBGM pays the expenses of meetings.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The Joint Missionary Conference Consultation is responsible for coordination of issues pertaining to Missionary Conferences and/or any necessary General Conference legislation that is pending.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . A report shall be made to the AMC at its annual conference next following any meetings of the committee.

R5.1012 . . . NATIVE MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Native Ministries Committee is to be in ministry with Alaska's native peoples and to celebrate the enrichment Alaskans share as they worship and minister together.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the Native Ministries Committee shall be:

Six (6) lay persons

Three (3) clergy

The membership shall be at least 50% Native American Persons

The Native Ministries Committee shall elect its own leaders with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected at annual conference.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . The Duties of the Native Ministries Committee shall be:

To raise the consciousness of Alaska United Methodists concerning the problems of racism in Alaska and in the world.

To encourage all Alaskan United Methodists to become more aware of its historic relationship to Alaska's Native peoples and their culture.

To encourage and assist the developments of ministry and church extension projects to, for, and with Alaska's Native peoples.

To assist in the implementation of the priority strategy of Native Ministry.

To solicit funds for Native Ministries through the Advanced Special giving channels of the church and especially through the Native American Awareness Sunday Offering (last Sunday in April or other appropriate Sunday).

To administer 50% of the portion of the Native American Awareness Sunday offering that remains in Alaska.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The Native Ministries Committee Chair or designated representative shall be a member of the CCC. Fifty percent (50%) of the portion of the Native American Awareness Sunday offering that remains in Alaska shall be used for Native Ministries work.

R5.1013 . . . NEW MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

PURPOSE . . . The New Ministries Committee shall plan and coordinate new church development and church extension activities within the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the New Ministries Committee shall be:

Four (4) lay persons

Four (4) clergy

AMC VIM Coordinator

Church and Community Workers Serving within the bounds of the AMC

The New Ministries Committee shall elect its own leaders with the exception of the chairperson who is nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations and elected at annual conference..

MEETINGS. . . The New Ministries Committee shall meet at least twice (2 times) per year.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES . . . At the direction of the Presiding Bishop and the AMC, the New Ministries Committee shall:

Administer all church extension funds of the AMC, including planning and coordinating all church extension activities, soliciting funds for church extension through

Advance Special giving, publicizing church extension activities, and assisting missionaries on itineration.

Assist in the implementation of the priority strategy of new church development.
To actively promote the development of new ministries within the AMC.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The New Ministries Committee shall work at the direction of the Presiding Bishop. It shall be accountable to the AMC for its efforts in implementing the strategy for New Church Development. The Chair or a designated representative of the Committee shall serve on the CCC.

R5.1014 . . . CONFERENCE OUTDOOR MINISTRIES

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the Conference Outdoor Ministries Committee is to enable and implement successful off-site and on-site camping and retreat ministries and to do so by providing general coordination in the form of guidance, training, funding, organization, and networking.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The committee will consist of eight (8) members, four (4) laity and four (4) clergy, including at least one representative each from the Birchwood Camp Committee, Southeast Camp Committee, and Hope Retreat Center.

Each committee will select its representative and the Committee on Nominations will select the others seeking regional balance, to be elected at the annual conference.

The chairperson will be nominated by the Conference Committee on Nominations, elected at annual conference and be a voting member of the Conference Coordinating Council. The committee will meet at least once a year.

R5.1015 . . . PROFESSIONAL MINISTRIES UNIT (PMU)

PURPOSE . . . The Professional Ministries Unit oversees and reviews all matters pertaining to the professional ministry of the AMC (ordained and diaconal).

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The membership of the Professional Ministries Unit shall be:

Five (5) members nominated by the Presiding Bishop in consultation with the Chair of the Professional Ministries Unit:

- three (3) ordained clergy
- one (1) diaconal minister
- one (1) lay person

Five (5) members nominated by the AMC Committee on Nominations:

- two (2) ordained clergy
- three (3) lay persons

It is suggested that consideration be given to having at least one (1) member be a clergy under special appointment (e.g., institutional chaplain, agency director, or staff person).

Lay persons shall be full participants in the work of the Professional Ministry Unit except in cases governed by provisions of the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2004, ¶¶33 & 634).

The AMC representatives to the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopacy shall serve exofficio.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To perform the functions of the Committee on Episcopacy as outlined in the United Methodist Discipline (Disc., 2004, ¶636).

To administer the continuing education funds for ordained clergy and diaconal ministry.

To act as the Annual Conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministry thus providing a means of accountability for local campus ministries (¶633), as the Annual Conference Board of Ordained Ministry (¶634) in a limited role, since the AMC does not have members, other than affiliate members, who are ordained, and as the District Committee on Ordained Ministry (¶663) to care for responsibilities for candidates for licensed and ordained

ministry (§310-314) as well as for licensing of local pastors (§315-320), who are clergy members of the AMC when approved by the AMC in executive session (§315) and appointed and licensed by the bishop (§316).

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . The Professional Ministry Unit shall be accountable to the Presiding Bishop and to the AMC through its membership on the CCC.

R5.1016 . . . REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCILS (RPC)

PURPOSE . . . The purpose of the RPCs is to coordinate and enhance the effectiveness of programming in the churches of the four regions of the AMC.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION . . . The recommended membership of each RPC is:

The Pastor and lay member to AMC from each church in the region.

Other ordained clergy as defined in R2.000.

Local pastors from local churches.

Active diaconal minister.

Campus ministers within the region.

A United Methodist Woman representative.

Three (3) at-large members elected from the region at the first RPC meeting of the quadrennium, the recommended persons being a youth (age 13-18), a young adult (age 18-30), and an ethnic minority person.

The Presiding Bishop (Exofficio without vote)

The AMC Superintendent (Exofficio without vote)

Council Director (Exofficio without vote)

The definition of each region is:

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Aldersgate-Juneau

Douglas

Ketchikan

Northern Light-Juneau

Sitka

3 Members at Large

NORTHERN REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Fairbanks-First

New Hope United Church-North Pole

Nome Community

Willow

United Campus Ministry-Fairbanks

Christ First of Wasilla and Palmer

Unalaska

3 Members at Large

SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Anchorage-Anchor Park

Anchorage-East

Anchorage-First

Anchorage-First Samoan

Anchorage-Jewel Lake

Anchorage-Korean

Anchorage-St. John

Anchorage-Turnagain

Chugiak

Girdwood

University Community Ministry-Anchorage

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Alaska Children's Services
Birchwood Camp
3 Members at Large and Native Ministry

KENAI PENINSULA REGIONAL PROGRAM COUNCIL

Homer
Kenai
Moose Pass
Ninilchik
North Star
Seward
Soldotna
3 Members at Large

Each RPC shall elect its own officers to serve for a four- (4-) year term, and it is recommended that the chair be alternating clergy and laity from quadrennium to quadrennium. The election of officers should take place at the first meeting following the charge conferences which follow the regular meeting of the General Conference, and officers so elected shall serve until they are replaced by a subsequent election. The chair is the linking person for the region to the CCC and serves as a member of the CCC. If a vacancy occurs in the seat of any officer of an RPC during the quadrennium, then that RPC shall elect a member to fill out the unexpired term.

MEETINGS . . . It is recommended that each RPC meet a minimum of three (3) times a year.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Coordinate and implement Conference programming as determined by the CCC.
2. Explore ministries and programs that can be developed better at a regional level as opposed to a local church level.
3. Provide input to the CCC for the development of Conference-wide programs and priorities.
4. Where possible, provide the linkage of youth within the region.
5. Sharing models for ministry from local churches so that "what works" might be duplicated in other churches.
6. Explore "new ministries" within the region by working with the CCC and the New Ministries Committee.
7. Develop regional mission emphasis—such as VIM, local mission, Missionary support, etc.
8. Recommend to the CCC each year a missional priority for the AMC for consideration at the annual conference.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND LINKAGE . . . Each RPC is linked by its chair to the CCC. Each RPC is responsible to the CF&A for its operating budget and expenditures. Each RPC will make a yearly report of its efforts to the annual conference of the AMC.

R5.1017...BOARD OF LAITY

PURPOSE... The purpose of the AMC Board of Laity shall be to provide ministries to the laity of the conference as defined in ¶630 of the Book of Discipline.

MEMBERSHIP/ORGANIZATION... The board will consist of the AMC Lay Leader, the Presidents of United Methodist Women and United Methodist Men, the most recently elected lay delegates to General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference, the AMC Coordinator of Lay Speaking Ministries, and one lay representative elected by each of the four regional program councils, which representative may be a member of the electing program council. The AMC Lay Leader will chair the board, which will meet, either in person or electronically, at the call of the AMC Lay Leader.

DIVISION 6 . . . PROCEDURES

R6.00 . . . SESSIONS: The hours of convening and adjourning the annual conference shall be fixed by the Annual Conference Planning Committee. A printed program shall be presented for adoption as the order of the annual conference at the time of the organizing meeting.

R6.04...DEBATE: Debate shall be governed by the rules of the most recent General Conference, except no member addressing the conference shall be limited to a specific length of speaking time unless such time limit be established by majority vote of the AMC. If a motion to limit speaking time does not specify to which portion of the meeting of the AMC it applies, then the limitation will apply only until the recess or adjournment which follows the adoption of the motion. When the rules of General Conference do not govern any situation of debate, Robert's Rules of Order will apply.

R6.05 RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS, AND PETITIONS

R6.0500 SUBMISSION: All resolutions, petitions, and motions (except procedural motions) introduced by a member of the AMC, or by anyone authorized to submit such to the AMC, shall be submitted in written form to the AMC Secretary. Resolutions, petitions, and motions may be withdrawn by the mover at any time prior to amendment or adoption.

R6.0501 AUTHORIZATION TO PETITION: Any AMC member, local congregation member, local congregation, organization or agency of the AMC may present petitions to the AMC for consideration by the AMC at its annual conference.

R6.0502 DUE DATE: Petitions must be submitted to the AMC office not less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the annual conference. Petitions submitted after the due date cannot be considered without the concurrence of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting.

R6.0503 PROCEDURE: Petitions submitted by AMC commissions, committees, units, councils, boards, and agencies will be considered on the floor of the AMC without referral. Petitions submitted by all others may, at the discretion of the presiding officer, be submitted to one or more Legislative Committees to be made up of members of the AMC as directed by the Secretary.

R6.0504 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES: Petitions referred to a Legislative Committee by the presiding officer shall be considered by the committee, and the committee shall vote concurrence or non-concurrence. A vote to concur is a vote to present the petition to the entire AMC for consideration and action. A vote of non-concurrence means the petition cannot be presented to a plenary session of the AMC unless at least twenty five percent (25%) of the members present and voting approve its introduction.

R6.0505 FORM AND CONTENT: The AMC Secretary, at the Secretary's discretion, shall prepare and distribute throughout the AMC a suggested form that may be used for the submission of petitions to the AMC. While a petitioner is not bound to submit petitions on the form provided, the petition should provide information as requested on the form. In addition to providing the petition in printed form, petitioners are strongly encouraged to submit petitions on electronic media as prescribed by the Secretary. If the printed form of the petition exceeds three pages, the petitioner shall bear responsibility for its reproduction and distribution.

R6.15 EPISCOPAL NOMINATIONS

R6.1500 SUBMISSION: Any United Methodist elder otherwise qualified according to the Book of Discipline for election to be a United Methodist bishop may be proposed for nomination to the Alaska Missionary Conference (AMC). For consideration on the floor of the AMC the nomination must be submitted in writing, supported by the signatures of not fewer than three members of the AMC.

R6.1501 DUE DATE: The due date for submission of nomination proposals shall be no less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the annual conference. Proposals for nomination submitted after the due date cannot be considered without the concurrence of at least two thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting.

R6.1502 DISTRIBUTION: Nomination proposals properly submitted and in timely fashion will be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC.

R6.1503 FORMAT: The proposed nomination must contain all the following elements:

1. A recently taken photograph, measuring at least 2 inches by 2 inches, of the candidate.
2. A biography of the candidate, to include the candidate's current Annual Conference membership status and prior professional service.
3. A statement of the candidate's qualifications.
4. The combination of biography and statement of qualifications is not to exceed 500 words

5. Requirements 1 through 4 may be waived by the Secretary with the submission of a document supporting the nomination of the candidate that has been approved and submitted in another conference, annual or jurisdictional, of the Western Jurisdiction.

R6.1504 NOMINATION: Debate will be permitted at the discretion of the presiding officer under the AMC rules for debate, and a vote will be taken by written ballot, which will be prepared and counted by the Secretary or by the Secretary's designated assistants. The vote count will be announced. Nomination of the candidate by the AMC requires the concurrence of a majority of the members present and voting.

R6.17 CANDIDACY FOR GENERAL & JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

R6.1700 SUBMISSION: Any person eligible for election to be an AMC delegate to General or Jurisdictional Conference as provided in ¶¶35 & 36 of the United Methodist Book of Discipline may declare her(him)self to be a candidate. For an election year as provided in ¶502.4 of the Book of Discipline any candidate may submit to the AMC Secretary a Statement of Candidacy.

R6.1701 DUE DATE: The due date for submission of a Statement of Candidacy shall be no less than six (6) weeks prior to the convening of the annual conference at which elections are to be held.

R6.1702 DISTRIBUTION: A Statement of Candidacy properly submitted and received on or before the due date will be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC.

R6.1703 FORMAT: A Statement of Candidacy shall include a statement of the candidate's qualifications. The Statement of Candidacy shall not exceed 500 words.

R6.1704 ELECTION: The method of election shall be as determined by the presiding officer.

R6.18...GENERAL AND JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE DELEGATION:

Delegates to the General Conference and the Western Jurisdictional Conference shall be elected and seated as provided in the Book of Discipline, and together the delegates so elected, along with alternates, shall be called the Alaska Missionary Conference Delegation. The AMC Delegation shall choose a chairperson from among the delegates to General Conference, giving due attention to the custom observed throughout The UMC of alternating from one quadrennium to the next between lay and clergy leadership. Unless otherwise provided in the rules of General Conference or of the Western Jurisdictional Conference the Delegation shall choose its representatives to any General Conference and Western Jurisdictional Conference bodies on which it is entitled to representation, giving due attention to the custom in the AMC that the delegates to General Conference serve on the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopacy and the delegates to the Western Jurisdictional Conference serve on the Western Jurisdiction Committee on Nominations. The Delegation is encouraged to give priority attention to the provision in the rules of General Conference which permit a member of the Delegation to be present with voice on any Legislative Committee when a matter of concern to the constituents of the Delegation is being considered.

R.6.20 . . . OFFERINGS: The annual conference communion offering and offerings to defray annual conference expenses are automatically approved. Offerings of any other nature cannot be taken without the approval of the AMPC.

R6.25 . . . LITURGICAL MATERIALS: All liturgical materials prepared for use in worship at annual conference or other AMC sponsored events shall be inclusive in their imagery, language, and participation.

R6.30 . . . REPORTS

R6.3000 . . . STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Pastors shall submit the statistical report to the Conference Statistician and the financial report to the Conference Treasurer as requested by these officers.

R6.3001 . . . PRE-ANNUAL MEETING REPORT: Reports that are to be printed in the Pre-Annual Meeting Handbook of the AMC shall be submitted to the Conference office by April 15th preceding the annual conference.

R6.35 . . . FISCAL MATTERS

R6.3500 . . . FISCAL YEAR: The fiscal year for the AMC shall be the calendar year (January 1-December 31.)

R6.3501 . . . CLOSING: CF&A shall set the date yearly for the closing of the financial records of the AMC, and all remittances must be received and are due by the established date in order for the church to receive credit for the fiscal year.

R6.3502 . . . JULY SALARY: The July salary shall be paid to the pastor by the local church to which the pastor is appointed at the annual conference.

R6.40 . . . APPORTIONMENTS: Apportionment requests upon the charge or pastor shall first be referred to the CF&A. No apportionments shall be made until the CF&A has made its report. If the report is negative, a two-third (2/3's) majority vote of the members of AMC shall be required to reverse the recommendation of the CF&A.

R6.45 . . . BUDGETARY CHANGES: Changes in the budget as proposed by CF&A or as adopted by the AMC may be proposed on the motion of any member of the AMC. If the proposed change is greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), then the motion must be distributed in writing to the members of the AMC in attendance at the session at which the motion is made at least eight (8) hours prior to any action on the motion. In addition any change proposed in an expense category which results in an increase or decrease in total expense must be accompanied by a commensurate change in expected income to maintain the balance of the budget.

R6.50 . . . RULES: . . . The AMC shall be governed by the following bodies of law in descending order of priority: the Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church; the Rules of the AMC; and the Rules of the most recent General Conference of The UMC. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all questions of procedure when none of the foregoing applies.

R6.5000 . . . RULES CHANGES: . . . Rules changes may occur in any of the following ways:

By recommendation from any Conference Standing Committee, Council, Unit, or Regional council.

From the Presiding Bishop and/or AMC Superintendent.

Over the signature of three (3) members of the AMC.

By individual members of the AMC who may submit proposals for rules changes to the Administrative Unit for consideration with the understanding that the Administrative Unit is not bound to report the proposed change to the floor for annual conference.

The rules of the AMC may be amended or suspended on the first day of annual conference by a majority vote. At all other times amendments or suspension of the rules requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

R6.55 . . . JOURNAL

R6.5500 . . . OFFICIAL MINUTES: . . . The record of daily proceedings of the annual conference of the AMC as signed by the Presiding Bishop and the Secretary of the AMC shall be considered to be the official minutes of the annual conference.

R6.5501 . . . AMC JOURNAL: . . . The daily proceedings together with such supporting documents as are deemed helpful and necessary shall be published yearly as the AMC journal. The Conference Secretary, in consultation with the Conference Superintendent, shall determine what additional material shall be included in the Journal that is not covered by Disciplinary requirements.

R6.5502 . . . DEADLINE: . . . All material to be published in the Journal shall be submitted to the Secretary of the AMC by midnight of the adjournment day unless other arrangements are made with the Secretary.

XIII. QUALIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES

A. Qualifications for Advance Special Salary Support/Covenant Relationships

Those missionaries who qualify for salary support through the Advance shall:

1. Serve local churches with less than 200 members.
2. Serve local churches with budgets less than \$150,000 raised locally excluding debt retirement. (For locations which qualify for COLA by Equitable Salary standards, the maximum shall be \$150,000 plus the COLA.)
3. Serve local churches which are able to maintain a parsonage or housing allowance.
4. Receive a salary not more than 10% above the minimum cash base salary (before COLA and years of experience are added) established by the Equitable Compensation Guidelines set at the Annual Meeting. (Exceptions to this shall be the first five years of a new ministry and Native Ministries and crisis situations).
5. Be recommended by the Equitable Compensation Committee for approval by the Administrative Unit and the Conference Superintendent.

B. Guidelines for Parsonage Standards

Property Ownership: If a parsonage is provided, it should be owned by the local charge or a Board of Trustees of the Alaska Missionary Conference. Also, flexibility should be allowed so that a pastor and congregation can work out an arrangement whereby a housing allowance is provided in lieu of a parsonage.

The House: At least four bedrooms; a basement with exit where possible; house plan should be flexible to allow for differing size families; family room, at least two full bathrooms; adequate storage; large living room; adequate weather stripping and insulation; screens on windows that open; double garage, not necessarily heated; dining area suitable for family and entertaining; sit-down eating space in the kitchen; a wood stove would be a desirable feature. New parsonages should be handicap accessible.

Location: Preferable within walking distance of the church building, but not more than three miles away.

Furnishings: Household personal items should be provided by the parsonage family. Heavy furniture and major appliances in good working order should be provided by the church including: beds, tables, chairs, sofa, freezer, washer and dryer, refrigerator, dishwasher, disposal, chests and dressers, drapes, floor coverings, lawn mower where needed, fire

extinguisher, smoke alarms. Painting (in and out), carpet deep cleaning, should be scheduled on a four-year basis or change of pastor.

Appliances and Furnishings Allowance: Each parsonage family shall have available to them \$1000 each appointive year to be used at the discretion of pastor and parsonage committee for appliances and furnishings as listed above. In the first year of appointment, this amount shall be available at the time of arrival of the parsonage family where possible. The Trustees shall keep a record of the date of purchase and repair of all appliances, including the heating system, and of all painting and decorating, inside and out. The Superintendent shall ask for the Parsonage Report at the annual Charge Conference meeting.

Garage and Grounds: If possible, a garage shall be provided with adequate lights and electrical outlets and sufficient space for gardening and lawn equipment, bicycles, etc. This should be provided with easy to operate door. Any damage to the parsonage or grounds caused by any household pet shall be repaired or replaced at the expense of the parsonage occupants. Excessive damage, beyond normal wear, to the parsonage caused by the parsonage family shall be repaired, replaced, or paid for by the pastor.

Maintenance Fund: A revolving fund of \$1000 shall be available for maintenance repairs and upkeep as authorized by the trustees. For most churches, this should be a trust account drawn on when needed, not necessarily budgeted in full every year.

Insurance: Replacement value of the parsonage should be the guide for insurance coverage. Insurance on the pastor's personal items should be provided by the pastor.

Parsonage Committee: The PPR Chair, the Trustee Chair, the Pastor and family shall meet at least once annually to review parsonage needs and existing conditions.

Utilities: Full cost of utilities are to be provided for each parsonage, when the pastor lives in the parsonage.

An Encouragement to All: We recognize that comfortable surroundings in the home contribute to the happiness, health, and effectiveness of the parsonage family and the pastor in their work for the whole church. We encourage that each parish will do its very best in providing such a home.

C. Guidelines for Dealing with the Abuse of Power and Authority of the Clergy Office in Areas Relating to Clergy Sexual Misconduct

(This document is not intended to supersede nor misconstrue the Discipline of the United Methodist Church or Alaska State Law, both of which do clearly supersede anything herein.) The pastoral office is a position of great trust and responsibility and can be a position of significant authority and power over others. We would like to believe that no ordained clergy person would violate the trust and power of the office for sexual gratification. Yet the experience of the church is that it does happen. Persons in pastoral roles may violate the trust given them in many ways, but these guidelines deal specifically with the abuse of the power of the pastoral office by those who engage in sexual misconduct, and in particular in those cases where there are persons who are, or perceive themselves to be, victims of this misconduct. It is recognized that clergy persons are also vulnerable human beings and can themselves be the victims in cases of sexual misconduct. In any case, the whole church must always be concerned for both the legal and spiritual care of the pastor. Still, history indicates that concern for those victimized by inappropriate clergy conduct has often been inadequate. The primary purpose of these guidelines is to provide justice and care for such persons.

For the purpose of this paper, clergy sexual misconduct shall be defined as "Unethical sexual activity, a form of sexual abuse by clergy persons." This includes sexual abuse of children and youth, affairs with counselees, infidelity, promiscuity (e.g. repeated sexual advances or actions), sexual harassment, and other inappropriate behavior. Such activity breaks the sacred trust inherent in our ordination. These guidelines are for clergy appointed to the Alaska Missionary Conference.

a. Theological Reflections

One of the on-going tasks of Christian community is to understand our life theologically. This is as true in matters of human sexuality, its potential for expressing love and commitment to God, the other person and oneself, and its potential for abuse, as anywhere else.

We affirm that:

1. God creates persons in the Divine image, male and female.
2. Women and men are equal in the eyes of God.
3. The human body is good, a special part of the divine creation. It is the temple in which the Holy Spirit dwells and a place where the Word is made flesh.
4. Human sexuality is an integral part of our humanity. While profoundly personal, it has social dimensions as well. Its physical, emotional, and spiritual expression in relation to others ought to be based on a loving commitment and accountability to God, the other person, and oneself.
5. God calls persons to wholeness through Jesus Christ and to participation in the Body of Christ, the community of faith whose central quality is redemptive love.
6. The whole church receives and accepts the call of God to embody and carry forth Christ's ministry in the world. Ordination originates in God's will and purpose for the church. There are persons within the church community whose gifts, graces, and promise of future usefulness are observable to the community, who respond to God's call and offer themselves in leadership as ordained ministers.(Par. 402, 1988 Discipline) In this role, persons are entrusted with responsibility to care for those they serve and not to misuse this role to the detriment of any.
7. Violation of the pastoral office by inappropriate sexual conduct is a sin against God the victim(s), oneself and the redemptive community.

This violation:

- causes potentially serious psychological, spiritual, and emotional harm to the victim(s);
 - reveals the brokenness of the perpetrator;
 - betrays Christ and the pastoral office in that it abuses the power and authority of ministry by changing it from healing and redemption to exploitation and gratification, and tarnishes the symbol of Christ as healer and Savior; and
 - rends the local parish as the whole body of Christ in ways which require special efforts for healing the deep wounds.
8. Because of God's grace and forgiveness, healing can occur for the victim(s), the offender, and the community.

These affirmations which have grown out of our life together within the covenant community are also reflected in the following statements from the 1992 Discipline (Par. 431).

It is to be expected that ordained persons shall:

- Nurture and cultivate spiritual disciplines and patterns of holiness...
- Be committed to and engage in leading the ministry of the whole church in loving service to humankind...
- For the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ in the world and the most effective witness to the Christian gospel, and in consideration of his/her influence as a minister, be willing to make a complete dedication of himself/herself to the highest ideals of Christian life; and to this end, agree to exercise responsible self-control by personal habits conducive to bodily health, mental and emotional maturity, fidelity in marriage and celibacy in singleness social responsibility, and growth in grace and the knowledge and love of God.
- Be persons in whom the community can place trust and confidence...
- Be accountable to the United Methodist Church, accept its Discipline and authority, abide by the demands of the special relationship of its ordained ministers, and be faithful to their vows as ordained ministers of the church of God.

Any breach of professional ethics is a misuse of the trust which traditionally has been given to the office. Furthermore, sexual misconduct involving the misuse of the authority of the clerical office, often leaves the victim with the burden of guilt, anger, betrayal, and rejection. Often the victim bears the burden of proof before appropriate action can be taken. Any such sexual misconduct in the context of the clergy/lay relationship shall be seen as an offense by the clergy person who then bears the responsibility for victim restitution and faces disciplinary action. This is particularly significant in clergy/lay relationships because of the power dynamics involved.

Clergy persons involved in any form of sexual misconduct have breached their ordination vows. Christian, professional, and legal standards inform clergy behavior. For instance, professional standards of counseling prohibit any sexual contact with counselees. When a clergy person uses the influence of his/her role and engages in sexual misconduct, it is an irresponsible and unethical act which takes advantage of the vulnerability of another. Clergy have a responsibility not to take advantage of persons in this way and not to engage in sexual activity with them.

These guidelines refer to clergy sexual misconduct. In the event the alleged offender is the Superintendent, then "the Bishop" shall be substituted for "the Superintendent" in all such cases.

b. Procedures for Misconduct with Children and Youth

1. Sexual activity with children and youth is a chargeable offense under Para. 2623, Discipline. In the event an allegation of such activity is made against any person in an office listed in Para. 2623(1), Discipline, the person to whom the allegation is made shall immediately report the allegation to the appropriate public or police agency as required by law. Charges may be brought and an investigation and other appropriate action shall proceed according to Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline, without regard to any criminal charges that may be initiated by civil authorities.

2. Sexual activity with children and youth is a crime under state law. In the event a clergy person is arrested, charged by information, or indicted for a crime involving any sexual offense, that person shall also be charged under Para. 2623, Discipline, and appropriate action taken under Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline. If the criminal charges are dismissed or the person is found to be not guilty beyond a reasonable doubt of the criminal charge, the Superintendent shall continue the proceedings under Paragraphs 2622-2627, Discipline, and make a determination whether a preponderance of the evidence shows that, even though the person may not have been legally culpable, the level of impropriety is sufficient to constitute a chargeable offense under Par. 2623. If the person is found guilty of the criminal offense, then the Superintendent shall initiate the process of expulsion from the pastoral ministry.

c. Procedures for Misconduct with Adults

When sexual misconduct is alleged, it shall be brought to the attention of those in authority, and the following procedures shall be followed: (§362 of the Discipline describes the grievance procedures.)

1. Allegations of sexual misconduct shall be made to the Superintendent in the form of a complaint. A complaint may be brought only by the person claiming to have been personally offended by the conduct, or by a person with first-hand knowledge of the conduct. Although a complaint may be brought verbally, the Superintendent may not respond to the complaint unless the complainant signs a document which clearly states the allegations which describe the offensive conduct. The Superintendent or any other person may assist the complainant in the preparation of the written complaint. If the complainant is unwilling to put the complaint in writing, the Superintendent shall inform the complainant that the verbal allegations will not be investigated and the grievances will not be redressed.

2. The complainant shall be encouraged to bring a support person to any meeting or hearing at any point in the process. Any meeting between the complainant and the alleged offender shall take place in a neutral location.

3. The Conference Superintendent shall promptly:

a). Meet again with the complainant in the presence of an ordained elder who is a member of the Professional Ministries Unit and/or the Bishop. At this meeting the complainant should be assured that the allegations are being taken very seriously by the Conference. The complainant shall be asked to verify the complaint with the words, "I declare under penalty of perjury that the allegations contained in this complaint are true."

b). Determine if there is probable cause to proceed with the investigation of the complaint. If the complainant refuses to put the allegations in writing or to sign or verify the complaint, the Superintendent may not respond to the complaint.

c). With the complainant's knowledge, meet in person with the respondent, i.e., the person to whom this procedure is being applied, provide the respondent with a copy of the complaint, and informally discuss the allegations with the respondent.

d). Meet formally with both parties (i.e., the complainant and the respondent), the Bishop of the Alaska Missionary Conference, and clergy member of the Professional Ministries Unit. Not less than 20 days prior to the date of this formal conference both parties shall be informed that they may have one person at the conference with them who has the right of advocacy, and that the conference will be recorded.

e). After the formal conference the Bishop, Superintendent, and clergy member of the Professional Ministries Unit shall confer, make a determination as to the truth of the allegations, and issue written findings as to their determination.

(1) If they find that the allegations are insubstantial (i.e., where the harm alleged is of little or no substance) or false, the respondent may choose to have the entire record of the proceeding expunged from his/her personnel record, or the respondent may choose an appropriate statement of the exoneration included in the record.

(2) If they find that there is probable cause to bring charges and convene a Committee on Investigation under ¶2703 (1), (3), or (4), notice of the finding shall be provided to the chair of the Pastor Parish Relations Committee (PPRC) of the local church served by the respondent or other appropriate supervisor, the Bishop of the Respondent's home Annual Conference, and the Mission Personnel Resources Program Department of the General Board of Global Ministries.

4. In the AMC, responsibility shall be assumed by the following:

a.) Colleagues in the ministry:

(1.) Clergy colleagues hold a special covenant of mutual responsibility.

When a pastor has knowledge of a colleague's sexual misconduct, the appropriate steps of intervention should be taken. This shall mean reporting alleged sexual misconduct to the Conference Superintendent. (Or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop.)

(2.) Where a colleague has been involved in sexual misconduct, and the case is being or has been resolved, the other members in the covenant must search for ways to and actively practice the reconciliation.

(3.) Cases of sexual misconduct will be kept in strictest confidentiality within the specifically designated group and persons charged with the responsibility for bringing justice and reconciliation. All clergy should actively prevent and discourage gossip, especially among clergy peers.

(4.) In cases where the situation has proceeded to Step 3.e.2 above, depending upon the seriousness of the complaint, the Bishop and Superintendent may choose to remove the accused clergy person from his/her ministerial duties. When a clergy person is removed from his/her ministerial duties due to sexual misconduct, a report shall be made by the Bishop or Conference Superintendent at the next clergy session to inform the clergy of the actions taken.

In such cases, as colleagues in ministry, other clergy will covenant to honor this decision and refrain from inviting that person to perform ministerial duties in our churches and institutions.

(5.) The accused clergy person will have assigned to him/her a trained support person to be in ministry with them, and will receive regular informational contact with the Conference Superintendent.

b.) The Local Church or other Hiring Bodies:

(1.) Local Pastor Parish Committees will be informed of the policies dealing with clergy sexual misconduct.

(2.) Matters of clergy sexual misconduct must be dealt with in strictest confidentiality in local churches.

(3.) The PPRC with the Conference Superintendent (or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop) shall assist in the reconciliation process of the persons affected and help the victim(s) find healing within the context of church community.

(4.) The Conference Superintendent (or in cases of alleged sexual misconduct against the Conference Superintendent, the Bishop) shall help the PPRC define its role in responding to a spouse.

(5.) The PPRC may secure one of the lay observers from the PMU or another lay person to help find resources within the church and larger community for a spouse of the offending clergy person.

(6.) In cases where clergy sexual misconduct has been substantiated and persons remain active clergy in the AMC, full information of sexual misconduct and subsequent actions taken shall be kept in the clergy person's permanent record in the Conference Office. Such information shall be shared with present and future Pastor-Parish Relation Committees, and when clergy return to their home annual conferences, documentation of clergy sexual misconduct will be included in the files sent to the home conference. This material may be sent to the PPRCs of previous appointments at the discretion of the Bishop and the Superintendent.

(7.) Where sexual misconduct has become a public issue, the Conference Superintendent and the Professional Ministries Unit need to join with the PPRC to provide emotional, liturgical and institutional means of healing.

d. Concluding Statement

The procedures outlined in this position paper are limited to addressing inappropriate sexual conduct of those clergy persons whose actions have been reported. The best solution to the problems caused by clergy sexual misconduct is the self-discipline of each clergy person. Such self-discipline takes the Christian standards and ordination vows seriously.

Personal integrity and mature and professionally responsible conduct must be brought to all relationships by every clergy person in the Conference. When relational and sexual difficulties are present in a pastor's personal and/or professional life, counseling is appropriate and should be sought.

By the very nature of the disciplinary procedures outlined in this paper, the concept of a single "victim" is too limiting. When sexual misconduct occurs, there are many victims. The spouse and families of the persons who are involved in illicit sexual liaisons are victims. Congregations who must live with the interpersonal and the community impact of inappropriate sexual behavior are victims. The offender/victimizer is in one sense a "victim" of his or her own deeply troubled personality. Pastors who are not responsible for the misconduct find themselves living with the consequences arising from the misconduct of a brother or sister. When friends in the ministry are caught in the web of sexual misconduct, there is a tension between caring for a personal friend involved in questionable sexual liaisons and caring for the health and authenticity of the ordained ministry. It is possible to protect a friend, and thereby

to perpetuate a relationship or pattern of behavior which is destructive to many others. Ultimately, the credibility and practice of the Christian faith have been compromised.

Not all of the victim(s) are included in the disciplinary and restorative procedure of the ordained ministry. Yet all are hurt when sexual misconduct has occurred. Those who take the connectional covenant seriously and who value the vows of ordination will assume responsibility for the whole church in the way they live with their sexuality. This paper intends to provide clear guidelines which will strengthen the covenant and ministry we share together.

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